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LOCAL NEWS ITEMIZED

Local News of O'Neill as Caught by the "Kids."

OTHER INTERESTING NOTES

of General Interest Published While News Is Still News.

select bulk oysters now on hand. O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

John Berry was in from Paddock

Mr. R. L. Clapp visited Ewing last

McArthur was in the city Mon-

man's is head quarters for Christmas

the supreme court refused to lower

McHugh, of Sioux City, was in

Grady was in Sioux City Thursday

McHugh returned from a visit to

Thompson left Monday morning

Parker was in from Scottville

Wiley, of Scottville, was in

appropriate, desirable, useful and

"Oak Leader" heating stove for

C. Evered, of the Page Eye, was

Hotel Evans served and elegant

Gertie Fort came down from

Ladies Aid society wish to thank

Dwyer and bride came up from

James DeYarman's little girls

Worth Mack has sold his interest

to the time of going to press the

There has been no school the past

fine dishes, fine linens, rugs, cloaks,

P. Mann has just received the only

Kautzman is advertising himself as a

FRONTIER desires to call the at-

Christmas? If you want to please her

Henry Kiltz, who left his Holt county

The Modern Woodmen of America

The ball given by the Daughters of Rebekah on Thanksgiving night was a grand success both socially and financially. The Rebekahs have always given good dances and the last one excelled all others.

Sam Barnard, who has been for the past two years in the employ of the O'Neill Grocery Company, has resigned his position. His place is filled by Chas. Ryan, brother of Barney, who arrived in the city from Illinois last Tuesday.

Sanford Parker, who, when he has his eye, his nerve and is himself generally, is one of the smoothest manipulators of the ivories in the state, made a nice little run of 57 billiards in the Evans hall last week. He captured 30 of them before freezing the balls in the corner and then when he missed it was on an easy shot and due to carelessness.

The state board of transportation in reducing the freight on hay deserve at least the thanks of the farmers and shippers in this county. The reduction is of more consequence to residents of Holt than to those of any other county in the state, as Holt ships more than twice as much hay, in the course of a year, as any other county in the state.

Bob Ingersoll was recently talking with an old colored woman in Washington upon religious matters. "Do you really believe auntie," said he, "that people are made out of dust?" "Yes sah; de bible says dey is, an' so I believe it." "But what is done in wet weather, when there's nothing but mud?" "Den I specs dey make infiduls and sich truck."

The Wertz & Burns comedy company, which has been at the opera house in this city for the past three nights, will give another entertainment this evening, after which there will be a dance free to all attending the show. This company possesses considerable talent in its line and has been well received in O'Neill. Its popular price of admission is one of the catchy features.

Some person in O'Neill has taken it upon himself to report to the commercial agencies ever business man who has signed Scott's appearance bond, and further, advanced the information that they are mortgaging their property to escape liability. It is fitting that a man who will let a spirit of revenge carry him so far beyond the line of truth should act by stealth and in darkness.

What's this? A show and a dance for 10 cents tonight at the opera house. The Wertz & Burns comedy company will give another pleasing entertainment, the admission to be the same 10 and 20 cents. After the entertainment there will be a dance, free to all who attend the show. There will be good music in attendance. Remember all for one admission. Tonight, Thursday, December 7.

Thomas McNichols, who left here about six years ago for the west, arrived in O'Neill last Friday evening from Anacrus, Mont., where he has been in the hotel business. His brother, M. C., who left here about the same time and went to Aspen, Col., is also here visiting relatives. The latter was elected county treasurer of Pitkin county, Col., in the recent election. THE FRONTIER is pleased to hear of their prosperity.

A few business men are addressing advertisements to those who deal with Montgomery, Ward & Co. and are placing them with the Independent. That they have chosen the most direct medium for reaching that class of trade there can be no dispute, but it should be borne in mind that THE FRONTIER has an army of readers who are home dealers and they watch these columns for bargains. A word to the wise is sufficient.

The Jew accuses King, of THE FRONTIER, of using his influence to prevent him from receiving an invitation to the Thanksgiving ball. Now, as a matter of fact, his accusation is untrue and unwarranted. There was, however, a little conversation between the ladies and King which we would like to repeat for the Jew's benefit, but we do not feel at liberty to mention any lady's name in the same article with that of the branded outcast.

The Daughters of Rebekah did not employ the Wandering Jew to furnish music for their Thanksgiving ball and the result is that he sheds a column of tears in his last issue, and unwarrantedly abuses the ladies of the society. The poor old fossil must be surrounded by a combination of cruel circumstances when he attempts to quarrel with the ladies. And that, too, when they were not really to blame. They might have got along with his "horse fiddle" at the ball so far as they were concerned, but quite a number of self-respecting people gave it out cold that they would not go to the dance if that Jew brute was in the house, so they left him out merely as a matter of business policy and not because they had anything against him personally.

NOT DEAD, BUT SLEEPING

County Division Has Arisen From Its Grave and Is Again Stalking.

COOK FILES ITS PETITION.

They Recede Somewhat From Their Former Demand for the Earth.

A FRONTIER reporter last Tuesday while prying about in the dusty archives of the county clerk's office looking for something that might prove of interest to his readers ran across a voluminous petition praying for the erection of a new county to be christened Cook. The finding of the petition was a surprise to the man of the pen, as he had supposed the question dead, at least for a season, but there it was in tangible form, like unto the fabled Phoenix flapping its pinions over the hot ashes of its funeral pyre.

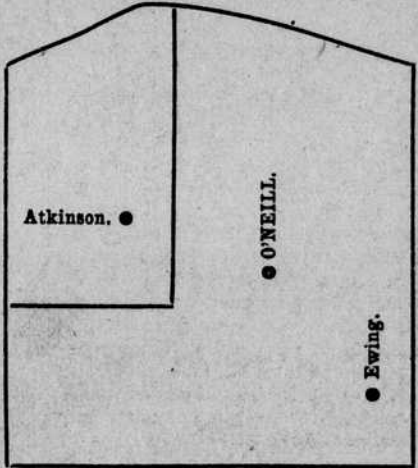
Following is the substance of the heading of the petition:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska:

We, the undersigned residents of Holt county, Nebraska, and of the territory described in this petition, and being legal voters therein, hereby petition your honorable body, and ask that a new county, the name of which shall be Cook county, be formed out of the following described territory, to-wit: Commencing at the southwest corner of township 28, north of range 18, thence east along the township line between townships 27 and 28, to the southeast corner of township 28, range 18 west, then north on the range line between ranges 18 and 19 west to the point where said range line intersects the middle of the channel of the Niobrara river, thence along the middle of the channel of the Niobrara river to the point where the middle of the channel of the river intersects the range line between the ranges 16 and 17 west, thence south along said range lines to the place of beginning.

We further petition that the said above proposition be submitted to the voters of Holt county at the general election to be held in 1894.

Should the above proposition carry it would leave the county about like this:



There are several points in connection with this move that should be well and wisely considered by the residents, particularly of O'Neill, before they hasten to put themselves on record either for or against this proposition. It is a little early to enter into a discussion of this question and THE FRONTIER is not prepared at this writing to offer any advice, but will later on give its readers its opinion on the subject.

Where is the Treasurer's Bond?

It having been reported and discussed considerably the past week that the bond of R. J. Hayes, county treasurer, had most mysteriously disappeared. THE FRONTIER sent a reporter to the clerk's office to investigate and he found the rumor to be correct as far as the records disclose.

The record of the supervisors proceedings show that at the meeting of August 19 the following motion prevailed:

Moved and carried that the bond of the treasurer be fixed at \$150,000.

At the meeting of August 30, the following motion prevailed:

Moved that the bond of R. J. Hayes be referred to the bond committee and that his bondsmen be required to come in and justify.

The records do not show that this was done but they do show by the following minutes of the meeting of September 10, that the bond was approved:

The bond of R. J. Hayes, county treasurer, was then read. Moved, seconded, and carried that same be accepted.

At the meeting of August 19 it was decided that the county would secure from some bond company a bond for Mr. Hayes, and later it was decided to get the bond in the amount of \$50,000.

Now these proceedings would tend to show that at some time or other Mr. Hayes had given a bond, but where it is now is the leading question.

The law in section 2982 of the 1893 statute provides that an officer must file a bond within 30 days after his appointment but in this case a bond has never been filed with the county clerk. That the clerk is the only person authorized

to accept it section 2984 sufficiently testifies.

The statute further provides in section 3121 that the county clerk shall keep a book in which shall be entered in alphabetical order, by name of the principal, a minute of all official bonds filed in his office, giving the name of the office, amount and date of bond, names of sureties and date of filing, with proper reference to the book and page where the same is recorded.

The clerk's books show in this case absolutely nothing, and while the bonds may or may not be safe in someone's inside pocket the fact remains that the law has not been complied with and it is a matter that should demand the immediate attention of the county board when it meets this month. If the old ones cannot be found and properly filed, a new one should be demanded instant.

Scott's Bond.

Last Friday morning the matter of taking Barrett Scott's recognizance and that of his friends for his appearance at this term of court came on for hearing.

The state appeared by County Attorney Harrington and Looker-up-of-Reports Murphy and filed a demur to the proceedings on the ground that the district court having fixed the amount of the bond, and the court being still in session, the taking of the recognizance was not within the jurisdiction of Judge Bowen. The court took the question under consideration until the next morning at 9 o'clock, when it over-ruled the demur on consideration of the following sections of the statute:

Sec. 5973: When any person charged with the commission of any bailable offense shall be confined in jail, whether committed by warrant under the hand and seal of any judge or magistrate, or by the sheriff or coroner, under any warrant upon indictment found, it shall be lawful for any judge of the supreme court, judge of the district court within his district, or probate judge within his county, or police judge within the city of his jurisdiction, to admit such person to bail, by recognizing such person in such sum and with such sureties as to such judge shall seem proper, conditioned for his appearance before the proper court, to answer the offense wherewith he may be charged.

Sec. 5975: In fixing the amount of bail, the judge in admitting to the same, shall be governed in the amount and quality of bail required by the direction of the district court in all cases where such court shall have made any order or direction in that behalf.

Having over-ruled the motion on the above law, which seems very clear, the work of taking signers on the bond was proceeded with until Monday, when the state served notice on the court that an injunction, restraining him from proceeding, would be applied for before the district court and He Murphy that evening went up to Chadron, where Judge Kinkaid is holding court, and succeeded in bringing home with him the following order yesterday:

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA. THE STATE OF NEBRASKA AND H. E. MURPHY, Plaintiff, vs. WM. BOWEN, Defendant.

Upon application of the plaintiff for an injunction on their petition, duly verified, and it being necessary that the defendant should have notice of the application before an injunction be granted, it is therefore ordered that said cause be set for hearing on the 11th day of December, A. D., 1893, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the court-house in the town of O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska, and that the plaintiffs be required forthwith to notify the defendant of the time and place of said hearing, and that until the further order of the court a restraining order is allowed, restraining the defendant from approving of, or taking Barrett Scott's recognizance or bail bond, for his appearance at the present term of district court of Holt county, Nebraska, and from issuing his warrant to release the said Barrett Scott from the custody of the sheriff or jailor of Holt county. M. P. KINKAID, ALFRED BARTOW, Judges.

This, of course, virtually ties the case up until the hearing next Monday, and what the outcome will be can only be guessed at, but from a reading of the law it would appear that a restraining order could not issue.

Judge Bowen, in the meantime, is accepting signers. At the present time about fifty men have signed the bond and those who have justified have raised about \$60,000. It is thought that by Monday the justification of \$70,000 will be complete and there will also be about twenty good men on the bond who have not justified at all.

All that now stands in the way of Scott's release on bail is the injunction.

Attention, Firemen!

There will be a meeting of the O'Neill Fire Department, Saturday evening, December 9, 7:30 P. M., at council chamber. O. F. BIGLIN, Chief.

Those interested in the future of Holt county and particularly the farmers from all parts of the county are requested to attend the irrigation meeting to be held at the court house in O'Neill at 10 o'clock A. M. Saturday December 9, 1893. Don't fail to attend.

J. P. MULLEN, President. T. V. GOLDEN, Secretary.

NO MAN'S COLUMN.

It is said that only one newspaper man is in heaven. How he got there is not positively known, but it is thought that he passed himself off as a minister and stepped in unsuspected. When the dodge was discovered they searched the realms of felicity in all their length and breadth for a lawyer to draw the papers for his ejection, but they could not find one so he held the fort.

The West Point Republican tells this story on one of the young women of its town: "A young lady came in after a peck of apples, taking as she supposed a freshly laundered flour sack. She held the sack while the clerk poured in the apples. A singular thing happened. The fruit went through the sack and rolled on the floor. On examination it was found that there were two holes in the bottom of the bag, both trimmed with embroidery. The young man fainted, and the young lady sent a small boy after the apples—with a basket."

When Kautzman says "he enjoys high Masonic honors" his everyday life in O'Neill gives him the lie direct. O'Neill has one of the best lodges in the state and we commit no exaggeration when we say that there are not to exceed six members in the city who will stoop to recognize the uncanny apostle of Satan. Those "high Masonic honors" that he speaks about are thought to be dim recollections of by gone years when he was admitted to the lodge room, when the lodge was not in session, for the purpose of making his rounds as chief inspector of cuspidors. Only this, and nothing more.

It was a dark night. The pale moon had not yet made its appearance above the horizon and the merry twinkle of the glimmering stars was hid behind snow-laden clouds that floated lazily southward before a cold nothern wind that was caressing the nude trees and whistling doleful melodies through crevices and keyhole.

The belated pedestrian wrapped his cloak more closely around him as he hastened to his wife and family, and felt thankful that he had a wife and family and a fire to hasten to and a cloak to wrap more closely around him as he hastened. The compiler of this column had spoken the last good night to companions and was directing his steps towards the outer world and blacker darkness. He strode rapidly over the crisp snow and puffed fiercely at his cigar and meditated upon matters material and immaterial, religious and irreligious, as he strode. His line of thought had carried him deep into the tariff on hay when suddenly his reverie was broken by the plaintive wail of a canine dog and the low murmur of a human voice.

Listening for a moment intently, he located the whenceness of the wail and the murmur and thinking perhaps someone might be in trouble he proceeded to investigate with the idea of offering his services if necessary. Guided by the wail of the dog which was still plaintive, he soon saw the form of a man kneeling in supplication and he was speaking, and as he spoke he prayed fervently and the frosty wind brought this to the ears of the compiler: "This has indeed been a season fraught with calamity, Cleveland was elected and we have not complained; He Murphy is still with us yet we rail not; the independents are in the majority but we still have hope that thou hast not forsaken us. We have nobly borne the cross through fire, flood, famine, and pestilence and entered no complaint, but now that a wandering Jew has dropped his anchor among us and is by foul script assassinating characters indiscriminately when his own is blacker than the soot of hell, we ask, O Lord! is there no balm in Gilead?" The compiler stole silently away thinking

To feel the wild blasts of a borean realm, to be scorned by all and loved but by two. Till the journey of time is all ended and done, is the fate of the Wandering Jew.

BARGAINS IN FURNITURE

FOR THE NEXT 20 DAYS.

Commencing Monday, December 4, I will offer the people of Holt county bargains in Furniture such as they have never heard of. . . .

Now a word to those who are inclined to send to Montgomery Ward & Company for furniture: I invite each and every one of you to call and make comparison in prices. Bring along their catalogue and price list, and I agree to make you a handsome present if I fail to duplicate their prices, and in some instances will agree to beat the prices they ask for some of their goods. . . .

Here is a Sample of a Few Prices.

Best woven wire springs, regular price \$3.50, now reduced to \$1.75. Can you beat it? Can you duplicate it? . . .

Here's another: Ash beds 6 feet in height, regular price \$10, reduced to \$5. This bed is a very handsome design, good finish. I lose money on everyone I sell. . . .

Look at this one: Center table 20x32, elegant finish, regular price \$4, reduced to \$1.75. In bed room sets I defy the world from \$15 to \$50. . . .

I invite the people of Atkinson, Stuart, Page, Spencer, Butte, Inman and Ewing, also the head of every family in Holt to give me a call during Dec. That you will go home happy there is no doubt. . . .

BIGLIN'S FURNITURE DEPOT.

Closing Out Sale

of winter hats at prices that will surprise you. December 8 and 9, '93. Mrs. S. G. NICHOLS.

Hood's pills are the best after dinner pills, assist digestion, prevent constipation.

Our Clabbing List.

THE FRONTIER and the Semi-weekly State Journal, \$1.75 per year. THE FRONTIER and the Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean, \$1.50 per year. We will give the readers of THE FRONTIER the benefit of our reduction on any paper, magazine or periodical for which they may wish to subscribe. By subscribing through this office you can save from 10 cents to \$1. This is the average reduction allowed us as dealers. . . .

The earlier symptoms of dyspepsia, such as distress after eating, heartburn, and occasional headaches, should not be neglected. Take Hood's sarsaparilla and be cured.

CORRIGAN'S

IS THE PLACE TO BUY

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

BIGGEST ASSORTMENT BEST GOODS LOWEST PRICES

FINE LINE OF PLUSH GOODS AT SPECIAL PRICES FOR THE HOLIDAYS LARGEST LINE OF GOLD PENS IN THE CITY.

COME EARLY AND AVOID THE RUSH

IN FACT COMPLETE ASSORTMENT AT PRICES THAT WILL SATISFY.