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NEWS SANS WHISKERS

of Interest Told As They Are Told to Us.

AND HOW IT HAPPENED

Happenings Portrayed For General Edification and Amusement.

Scott's trial comes on at Neligh Tuesday.

Bill O'Brien was up from Clearwater yesterday.

Osceola Coughlin wants a family of his own to winter.

Well Akin came down from Atkinson yesterday morning.

H. Benson, of Ewing, had business in the city Monday.

Edward Miller came up from Battle Creek Sunday night.

W. Eisele was in from the south Saturday night.

Musical and literary entertainment at Neligh tonight. Take it in!

At McManus is in Chicago this week, bringing his fall and winter goods.

Go to the rink tonight and hear some good music. 25 cents admission.

Mr. Price's cream baking powder and grape cream of tartar powder.

"Brutus and Cassius" at the opera house tonight. Come and see them.

A great many of Scott's bondsmen are in the city this week attending court.

Hood's Pills are hand made, and per in proportion and appearance. 25c per box.

Dillworth, of Lincoln, grand champion of the K. of P's, was in the city, Monday.

Arney Thornton, of Neligh, was in the city Tuesday and made this office a call.

Arney Ryan sprained an ankle last week and limps around just like a pig on blood.

The delegates to the state convention straggled home all days last week, and the meeting.

Wheat flour, corn, bran and all kinds of goods to the O'Neill Flour & Feed Co., Mack Manager. 38-1f

George Clark was up from Randolph, Monday, on account of the serious illness of one of the twins.

W. McGuire arrived in the city yesterday night, to be on hand at the opening of the hippodrome next Monday.

Biglin will deliver kerosene and oil at your residence or place of business. His wagon makes the rounds every day. 47-1f

W. Wiedenfeld, of Randolph, who has been visiting Mrs. D. H. Cronin for several days, returned to her home yesterday morning.

State Superintendent Goudy arrived in the city Sunday evening and delivered a lecture before the institute Monday noon.

Henry Murphy returned Monday from a trip along the coast. Henry says he saw some fine country but he rather likes Nebraska after all.

Osceola Coughlin returned last Thursday night from a protracted visit in the city. He came home looking hale and hearty and is as jolly as ever.

W. Utley returned home Sunday from his trip to California, where he went to take the deposition of Ed. Butcher to be used in the Scott case.

Charlie Odell is in the city this week attending arrangements for another excursion to Arkansas. They expect to start about the 9th of next month.

Mathews while south was appointed land agent for the Stuttgart and Arkansas railroad. He will run excursion from here on September 10 and 25, October 9.

Ed and true is the verdict of people who have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla. The good effects of this medicine are soon felt in nerve strength restored, appetite improved and health given.

A number of noted barristers have been named by O'Neill their headquarters this week, among them being: John C. Cronin, N. D. Jackson, E. M. Bartley, H. Hastings and General Hawley.

O'Donnell while out last Sunday from a party steeple-chasing a jack rabbit was unfortunate enough to have a horse fall and roll over him. He was brought to town and Dr. Gilligan operated, who dressed his wounds. The bones were fractured but his face was as though he might have been in a round contest with Corbett.

Sanford Parker was made state committee man for this district at the state convention. Mr. Parker is of the right brand to make a first class committeeman, and he will.

Harrington to Bartlett—Put us down \$60,000 and we will settle with you right now.

Bartlett to Harrington—Go to. Ye refused it once and now ye shall have naught.

Odie Biglin has been very sick the past week but is now on the mend and will soon be again at the bat. His trouble seemed to verge on the typhoid, but Dr. Gilligan came along with his pill box and knocked it in the head.

Although O'Neill has more secret organizations than any town of its size in the world a new order was chartered in last Thursday night. It is a branch of the Independent order of United Workmen and starts in with a life-sized membership.

The band boys' ball at the rink last night was a success socially and financially and the boys deserve it. O'Neill now has one of the best bands in northwestern Nebraska and our citizens should give them all the encouragement possible.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hazelet were surprised last Thursday night by a goodly number of their friends dropping in to spend the evening. The occasion was anniversary number one of Mr. and Mrs. Hazelet's marriage, and it was celebrated in a way appropriate to the occasion.

Mr. Riley of Albion, Nebraska, was in the city Monday. Mr. Riley is the father of the Riley boys who run a stock ranch in the southern part of the county, and is out with his wife for a visit and an outing. Although quite advanced in years he still takes great delight with gun and rod.

Now "in all fairness" Harrington's attempt to bluff and side track Mr. Bartlett with that supercilious grin and to see He Murphy rise up in the "inherent" dignity of his "Functus offusio" to reply to an argument of the Hon. J. C. Watson, was surely a scene for a farce and not a court room.

A seventeen year old son of John Moller's who resides north of O'Neill on the Eagle, was accidentally shot last Sunday and instantly killed. He and another boy were out in a road cart hunting when the gun slipped through between the slabs in the bottom of the cart and was discharged. The charge struck the boy in the side and raged upwards. The funeral occurred Tuesday.

The lectures on electricity delivered Monday and Tuesday evenings by Mr. Favour, at the rink, for the benefit of the teachers were well attended and highly appreciated. His lectures are instructive and his experiments and practical demonstrations are all of a scientific nature and well worth the price of admission to those whose duty it is to train the young idea.

Following is the list of petit jurors drawn for the October term of district court: B. H. Johring, E. R. Riley, E. L. Davis, S. W. McCaughey, J. M. Hunter, E. H. Thompson, Chas. Barngrover, A. J. Fleming, B. Gray, N. W. Dowd, John Alderson, G. C. Short, O. P. Sheve, A. Barrett, William Bokhoff, Jos. Skudler, Jr., Samuel Beavers, John Snyder, William Yeale, A. L. Booth, H. H. Trowbridge, W. Joyce, Barney Hynes, C. Gunther.

Owing to the unsettled condition of the markets we do not expect to place our orders for large fall bills until late in the season. Realizing that many will need to buy dress goods earlier we have made arrangements with Marshall Fields dress goods salesman to bring his entire line here Monday, September 3, at which time we invite all ladies who wish to avail themselves this splendid opportunity to call and examine this line. Single dress patterns can be had of all goods worth \$1 per yard or upward.

Dr. W. D. Mathews of O'Neill, Neb., recently appointed land commissioner of the Stuttgart & A. R. R. Co., comes with excellent credentials, a number one recommendation from the governor and other high officials. He has but few equals as a business man and with his wide acquaintance and large influence he will be able to induce many in Nebraska and other western states to immigrate to Arkansas county. He will at once commence a vigorous campaign for the purpose of locating homeseekers in this southern Eldorado. Nebraska farmers are ripe for a move south and they will come by the hundreds this fall and next spring. Associated with Dr. Mathews is that prince of land men, C. H. Odell of Peoria. He has been one of the old reliable of the Missouri Pacific system these many years, and is in full accord with his company's plans in directing this western stampede into Arkansas. Many of the emigrants are prairie men and Mr. Odell will direct them along the line of the S. & A. R. R. Co.—Gilette (Ark.) Herald.

After Skirving Again.
Mike Harrington, on behalf of the secretary of the Holt county alliance, who is also candidate for representative on the pop ticket, whose other name is Robertson, has started afresh proceedings of ouster in the Skirving impeachment case. That is, a new petition has been filed with the clerk, although notice of trial has not yet been served upon defendant. The prayer of the petition is that defendant be compelled by mandamus to vacate his office by virtue of the supervisors' record as amended at their last meeting. Hon. Judge Jackson, of Neligh, was in the city Tuesday looking up the case for the defense.

Transfer Switch Case.
Geo. H. Hasting, Mr. Dillworth, and J. N. Kountz, of the state board of transportation, arrived in the city Sunday evening to apply in the district court for mandamus to compel the railroad at this point to comply with the order of the board in regard to connecting the Short Line and F. E. at this point by a transfer switch.

General Hawley, attorney for the F. E., was also in the city for the purpose of resisting issuance of the mandamus. The case was submitted Tuesday before Judge Chapman and agreement made to argue it in Omaha some time next month.

The railroads have attacked the constitutionality of the law as they allege that it attempts to do too much under one head. Besides providing for the putting in of switches it also attempts to fix rates for long and short hauls. The question will probably be decided in the supreme court within the next three months.

An Editor's Opinion.

We give below an extract from a letter written by the editor of Irrigation Age, Chicago, to James M. Kerr, the New York gentleman who has submitted proposition for construction of the ditch. The extract is interesting because it comes from one who is authority on irrigation and really leaves no doubt as to the practicability of the project.

I believe the Niobrara River Irrigation and Power company is a good scheme. Of course it is only on paper now. Campbell's report carries great weight with investors. The supply of water in the Niobrara is large and almost entirely open to appropriation. The country to be watered is on that shadowy line which divides the rain belt from the arid region, and my observation is that farmers are very mercurial in such localities and their patronage is not to be depended upon as it is in the real arid region. When it rains they think the climate is changing. However my impression of the enterprise is very favorable. If you were to depend upon a colony from Holland, as you suggest, the point I mention would cut no figure. I believe the land and water to be all right.

Scott Bond Case.

The Scott bond case is at last on the boards and the mills of justice started. Judge Chapman, of Plattsburgh, presiding, his son Tom, reporting. Attorneys, Bartlett, of Omaha, Watson, of Nebraska City, and Uttley and Dickson, of this city appearing for the bondsmen, and Harrington and Murphy, of this city, prosecuting.

The case was to have been called up Monday morning, but as somebody had failed to notify the jury, they were not on hand and the case went over until Tuesday morning to give the sheriff an opportunity to bring his good and true men from the four corners of the county.

It was 2 o'clock Tuesday before a jury was finally selected and the case begun in earnest.

The bondsmen seek to escape liability upon negligence of the board in not settling with the treasurer at the time fixed by statute, and for the further reason that the bond was changed by the addition of two names after it had once been approved.

The question devolves upon a matter of law and fact, and it would look now that by the time it gets to the jury they will have nothing to consider but the judge's instructions.

It is thought that the case will be finished this week.

LATER—The end of the case came a great deal sooner than was expected, especially by Harrington. It was dismissed yesterday afternoon upon motion of Mr. Bartlett, the vital point being that the board vitiated the bond when it allowed those two additional sureties to be placed upon it after it was approved.

We have not the space this week to make extended mention of the case but will give full particulars in our next.

Notice.

The democratic central committee are requested to meet at my office, on Wednesday, September 5, 1894, at one o'clock, p. m. Business of importance to transact.

S. M. WAGERS,
Acting chairman.

ARE GETTING IN SHAPE

The Irrigation Scheme Coming to A Focus.

QUESTION TO BE SUBMITTED

The People Will Be Given A Chance to Say What They Want.

Following is a proposition that the irrigation company has prepared to submit to the people in the matter of bonds: To the honorable board of supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska:

The undersigned, the Niobrara River Irrigation and Power Company, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the state of Nebraska, and doing business at O'Neill in the county of Holt, said state, propose to construct a canal for the purpose of furnishing water for irrigation, power, domestic use and consumption, and other valuable uses, the main canal to commence at the Niobrara river, on section nineteen (19), in township thirty (30), north, range forty-three (43), west, in Sheridan county, Nebraska, thence in an easterly direction about thirty miles, to a point on the Snake river about twenty-five miles, thence in a southeasterly and easterly direction to the west end of Pelican lake, in Cherry county, Nebraska, thence by way of said lake in an easterly direction to a point on the divide between the Elkhorn and Niobrara rivers in Rock county, Nebraska, there following said divide to a point in township twenty-nine (29), north, range eleven (11) west, in Holt county, Nebraska, thence northeasterly and easterly to or near the east line of Holt county.

Such location is subject to revision, and the location of said canal as above stated may at any time be modified or changed, if, after investigation, it is determined to be to the best interest of the enterprise so to do. The length of said canal will be about two hundred and fifty miles (250) miles, together with about six hundred (600) miles of laterals, with the capacity as estimated of about 180 cubic feet per second at its terminus.

The proposed canal will be constructed in accordance with proposed plans and specifications to be approved and provided by engineers and other experts in the construction of such works.

The said canal will be constructed and put in operation for the purpose of furnishing water for irrigation, for power purposes, for domestic use and consumption, and for other useful and beneficial purposes, providing the counties of Holt, Rock, and Brown, in the state of Nebraska, will deliver to the said Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company, its successors and assigns, the sum of \$250,000 of their six per cent coupon negotiable bonds to be dated November the first, 1894, and payable twenty years from the first day of November, 1894, with interest payable semi-annually from the first day of May, and the first day of November, in each year thereafter, the principal and interest to be payable at the fiscal agency of the state of Nebraska in the city and state of New York, said bonds to be of the denomination of one thousand dollars each. Holt county's proportion of these bonds to be 150 bonds of a thousand dollars each, and each bond to recite as follows:

"This bond is one of a series of 150 bonds of like amount and tenor which are issued by the county of Holt, in the state of Nebraska, to the Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company, to aid in the construction of a canal from a point on the Niobrara river near to and just above Deer Creek canon, and running in a northerly, southerly, and easterly direction about 250 miles to a point on the Niobrara river or one of its tributaries near the eastern boundary line of the county of Holt, state of Nebraska and in the construction of reservoirs and other work incident to the construction and operation of such canal as a work of internal improvement." All of said bonds, in case the issuance and delivery thereof be authorized by the vote of electors of Holt county, Nebraska, to be executed and registered at the earliest time practicable after the same have been voted, and when registered to be delivered to the fiscal agency of the state of New York, to be held in trust by said fiscal agency for delivery to the said Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company, its successors or assigns, in installments as follows: In amount as may be required therefor not to exceed ten bonds of \$1,000 each, being at par equal to the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be devoted to the payment of the preliminary expenses occasioned by a proper survey of the proposed enterprise and the running expenses of the company, while said survey is in progress; provided that no money shall be paid out except upon certificates duly signed by the chief engineer in charge of the work, where the money to be paid relates to the survey, said certificates to be duly attested by the president of the Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company, and the chairman of the board of supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska, or other person or persons duly selected by said board for that purpose; and where the money to be paid is for the expenses of the company, the sum is to be paid only upon certificate from the secretary of the company duly attested by the president thereof and the chairman of the board of supervisors of Holt county, Nebraska, or other person or persons duly selected for that purpose, which certificate shall show that a certain amount of work has been done in the survey of the canal and that a certain sum is due to pay the expenses of the company. Upon the receipt of such certificate or certificates, the said fiscal agent of the state of Nebraska, acting as

trustee shall turn over and deliver to the said treasurer of the Niobrara River & Irrigation & Power company, or to the person or persons, company or companies, corporation or corporations, designated by said company, the amount or amounts of bonds equal at par to the amount of money called for in such certificate or certificates; and in each instance upon the delivery of the bonds as aforesaid, the trustee shall be released from further liability to the extent of the delivery authorized; and upon a proper certificate from the engineer in charge showing that sufficient of the main canal and laterals have been constructed, with a sufficient amount of water in said canal and laterals to irrigate 100,000 acres, 50,000 acres of which shall be in the county of Holt and that the same are completed and ready for operation, then said trustee shall be authorized to deliver to the said Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company, or to its successors or assigns, whatever number and amount of bonds of the said issue may be remaining in its hands, and shall thereby be discharged from all further liability.

In consideration of receiving the aforesaid bonds, the Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company agrees to commence the preliminary work for the survey and construction of said canal not later than the 15th day of November, 1894, and that the said canal and laterals shall be completed and containing sufficient water therein, to enable the company to put water upon 100,000 acres of land, as herein before stated, at an early date thereafter as is consistent with good work; and the said Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company further agrees that the said canal shall be constructed in the manner authorized as herein before provided, and that it will furnish water for irrigation, water power, and such other power as it may be able to provide to manufactures and other consumers, and for domestic use and consumption, in reasonable and necessary quantities and upon reasonable rates, terms and conditions. The Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company further agrees that in letting the contract or contracts that the residents of Holt county shall be given employment, if they desire it, during the progress of the work, at a fair and reasonable compensation.

The Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company requests that this proposition be at once submitted for acceptance to a vote of the people of Holt county, Nebraska, at a special election to be duly called and held for such purpose, and that at such time in connection with such proposition there be submitted to the voters of Holt county the question whether or not said bonds shall be issued, registered and delivered, and the proper taxes levied according to law for the payment of the interest and principal of such bonds.

If by reason of injunction or other legal interference, or by the acts of Providence, the work is delayed, the time of such delay shall be added to the time herein provided as the time of completion.

In witness thereof the said Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company has caused these presents to be executed by its officers thereunto duly authorized, this 27th day of August, 1894.

Niobrara River Irrigation & Power company.
By A. U. MORRIS, Pres.
T. V. GOLDEN, Sec.

RESOLUTIONS.

WHEREAS: It is the desire and the intent of the Niobrara River Irrigation and Power company to have the counties through which the canal is proposed to run fully protected in the expenditures to be made out of the proceeds of the bonds proposed to be voted in aid of the prosecution of the said canal enterprise; and

WHEREAS: Many of the citizens have expressed a wish that counties have a voice in the affairs of the canal company and particularly in the expenditure of the money to be appropriated to make the survey, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Niobrara River Irrigation and Power company in consideration of the money to be furnished by the several counties in the preliminary work to be done on the said canal, issue to the said counties of Holt, Brown and Rock in the name of trustees to be appointed by the county boards of the respective counties, stock in said Niobrara River Irrigation and Power company in amounts as follows: Holt, \$12,000; Brown, \$4,800; Rock, \$3,200. Said trustees to act for the counties in the management of the affairs of the irrigation company and to supervise the expenditure of all money voted by the counties in aid of the irrigation enterprise. Attest:

A. U. MORRIS, T. V. GOLDEN,
President. Secretary.

The Last Roll Call.

James Triggs is no more. He died last Saturday night, after an illness of but a few days, at the ripe old age of 84 years.

Deceased was born in London, England, and came to this country with his wife in 1849. He enlisted in the war at its beginning and received an honorable discharge when it was over.

The funeral which occurred Monday at 4 o'clock, from the M. E. church, was perhaps as grand as any ever given an O'Neill citizen. General John O'Neill post G. A. R. had charge of the ceremonies. The Bartley guards attended in uniform, and with the O'Neill cornet band heading the procession, softly playing a funeral dirge, made a typical soldier's burial. At the grave the comrades of the deceased held short services, after which the funeral escort fired its salute, the bugler sounded taps, the sexton did his duty and "Uncle Jimmie" was asleep with the majority. Peace to his ashes.

A Letter From Col. Towle.

The following letter from Col. Towle was received last week by J. L. Mack, of this city:

PORTLAND, ORE., Aug. 19.
We arrived here Thursday after dinner. We have not seen a drop of rain since we left. Our trip was devoid of any particular event, it being over the direct route that could have been selected. We are all well and have just returned from Oregon City, one of the oldest in the state. Oregon is a fine state in many ways. First, there is scarcely any frost; second, it has the finest looking ladies of any state I have ever resided in; third, the climate in summer is superb, being not higher than 90 degrees with fine cool nights—I have slept with blankets over me ever night—fourth, they never have a failure of crops; fifth, they do not have high winds. Although the dust is from one to three inches deep the wind has never stirred it since I came. It is not a corn state nor a hay state, but is a success in the way of fruit, alfalfa, hops, salmon, wheat and amber. As far as I have noticed the potatoes are not first-class. I have met Tremaine and Tom O'Day, formerly of Neligh, but have not seen Hanlon or Billy Merriman yet as they live over in East Portland. We shall visit Tacoma and Seattle next week. I do not know yet where we will locate. It is dull here but not as bad as the burnt districts of Nebraska. Nearly all the good crops we saw on the road was the result of irrigation. On the sage brush plains of Nevada can be seen fine prune and alfalfa farms with other crops in a fine state of cultivation, surrounded with sage brush, dust and jack rabbits. If the voters of Holt county could see these farms they would vote for irrigation to a man. Tell the boys of the Green Tree club that I have not forgotten them and there are times in the day when my surroundings bring back the initiation ceremony. My trip to Oregon City was made on an electric motor. Distance 16 miles; fare 25 cents. Living here is as cheap as in Nebraska. At this hotel I have two large and very fine rooms for which I pay \$3 per day. I eat where I choose. Our meals on an average cost 25 cents and are as good as any one could wish. Give my regards to Slattery and the Tamany Hall club, not forgetting Mr. Horrigan, also to Bro. Smoot and the Green Tree. Tell Elmer Williams that I have seen Riggen but Erwin has left for Frisco. Give my kind regards to all the boys and when you pass the canteen at Slattery's remember me. Yours in F. C. and L.,
A. L. TOWLE.

Obituary.

COOK—At his residence in this city on Friday, August 24, 1894, of inflammation of the bowels, age 83 years.

The deceased was born in Scranton, Penn., August 11, 1862, and at which place he resided until 18 years of age, when he removed with his parents to this county where he has since resided. He was well known in this city and county. On June 1, 1886, he was married to Miss Winnie Biglin, who with three children survive him. He was sick but ten days and it was not thought that he was dangerously ill, and his many friends were shocked Friday when it was reported that he was dead.

The funeral took place from the Catholic church Sunday afternoon and was largely attended. The FRONTIER tenders its condolence to the family and relatives of deceased.

School Examinations.

Will be held Saturday, September 1, at 9 A. M., for promotion, for admission, and for passing those who failed of promotion. Examination at the high school room. Be prompt. C. L. MCGUIRE, Principal O'Neill Schools.

Assignment of Teachers in O'Neill Schools.

High school, C. L. McGuire, Miss Lowrie; grammar schools, Miss Carlson, Miss Murphy; intermediate schools, Mrs. Taylor, Miss McManus; primary schools, Miss Gillespie, Mrs. Clark.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the officers and members of the Holt County Agricultural society at Campbell's at 2 P. M. Saturday, September 8, 1894.

H. HODGKIN, President.

The Jew doesn't seem to know his own mind seven days at a time. When our militia company was in the throes of organization he wildly denounced everybody to leave it severely alone, but now that he finds it succeeds in spite of his opposition and is regarded with pride by our citizens, he falls in line and wishes the company God speed. Great trimmer.

Last June Dick Crawford brought his twelve-months-old child suffering from infantile diarrhoea, to me. It had been weaned at four months old and had always been sickly. I gave it the usual in such cases but without benefit. The child kept growing thinner until it weighed but little more than it did when born, or perhaps ten pounds. I then started the father to giving Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Before one bottle of the 25 cent size had been used a marked improvement was seen and its continued use cured the child. Its weakness and puny constitution disappeared and its father and myself believe the child's life was saved by this Remedy. J. T. Maslow, M. D., Tamaroa, Ill. For sale by P. C. Corrigan Drugist.