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NEWS SANS WHISKERS

Items of Interest Told As They Are Told to Us.

WHEN AND HOW IT HAPPENED

Local Happenings Portrayed For General Edification and Amusement.

Elmer Allison was down from Atkin-

son Friday. Mrs. Chever Hazelet entertained the

whist club last night. The county board is working on the

settlement with county officers. A bright baby girl was born to Mr.

and Mrs. Sam Howard last Friday. R. R. Dickson and Charlie Wrede

went down the road yesterday morning. Bentley will give you value received and a music box and a watch besides. 20-tf.

Rev. W. T. Matson, of Omaha, will preach in the Presbyterian church Feb-

Frank Kaza last week secured license to wed Miss Emma Kreager. Both of

Jim Shanner and Jim Cronk, of Page. favored the editor with a short call

Dr. Furay removed a sebaceous cystwhatever that is-from Sally Gwin's left ear Wednesday.

D. H. Cronin went down to Lincoln Monday to attend the meeting of the state press association.

The ladies' sewing society will meet with Mrs. W. J. Dobbs Wednesday, February 5, at 2 P. M.

Miss Mae O'Sullivan came down from Valentine Sunday morning, to attend fall-George wants to be state treasurer. the funeral of her uncle.

Mrs. Ryland Parker is slowly recovering from her illness and it is now thought that she will recover.

For first-class flour and feed and the lowest possible prices, call on the Osmond Roller Mills, O'Neill, Neb.

Attorney Boggs and Joe Mann, of Spencer, Sundayed in O'Neill. They returned to Spencer Monday morning.

Corbett's photo studio and dental office will be open Jan. 31 to Feb. 6, inclusive. 29-2 A. H. CORBETT.

On all winter goods we will give a

son last Monday. The colonel is being mentioned as a representative possi- the United States.

The supervisors scattered Saturday hight to the seven corners of the county to spend a quiet Sunday in the bosom of their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Anthony are the proud parents of a boy born last Monto the health of the young hopeful.

The committee on stock brands Las been at work at the court-house this week. The committee consists of John Carr, Geo. Buttler and Joe McCaffery.

Do you lack faith and love health? Let us establish your faith and restore your health with DeWitt's Sarsaparilla. For sale by Morris & Co., druggists.

The big lump of coal at Snyder's yard Some three hundred guesses have been weigh the lump on Washington's birthday.

Charles Downey, of Inman, writes THE FRONTIER that there will be a general wolf hunt on Saturday, February 1; the central point being section 36, township 40, range 9-one mile west of Antelope slough.

signal for the breaking up of the system. Nature is opening up the pores and throwing off refuse. DeWitt's Sarsaparilla is of unquestionable assistance in residents of O'Neili and Holt county this operation. For sale by Morris & know that these remarks are true.

Niobrara Pioneer: The revival being held at the Methodist Episcopal church is meeting with excellent success. Rev. E. T. George, of O'Neill, who is assisting Mr. Ingersoll in the work, will preach Sunday evening and every evening next week.

Some time ago Mr. Simon Goldbaum, of San Luis Rey, Cal., was troubled with a lame back and rheumatism. He used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a prompt cure was effected. He says he has since advised many of his friends to try it and all who have done so have spoken highly of it. It is for sale by P. C. Corrigan, druggist.

Sanford Parker went down to Lincoln Sunday morning. He carried with of the Boyd county seat contest, now in did not tell the editor; he's no mind the supreme court.

Fremont Tribune: Legal notices are not only prolific in Holt county, but here is where they attain their largest growth. So long as they go to the O'Neill FRONTIER the patronage is worthily bestowed.

O. O. Snyder & Co., have the largest block of Deer Creek coal ever shipped to this city. They are going to give 2,000 pounds of Deer Creek coal to the person guessing the nearest to the weight of this block. Go and guess.

Frank Walker died Monday at .Bonesteel, S. D., of pneumonia. Mrs. Walker, who was visiting her mother, Mrs. Nichols, in this city, left Saturday night for Bonesteel in response to a telegram announcing the seriousness of her husband's illness.

Spencer Advocate: Major Dudley, near Naper, had the misfortune to lose his house and a part of the contents by fire Tuesday night. We did not learn if he had any insurance. His many friends in this part of the county will be sorry to hear of his loss.

A winter more open than the present one has been thus far does not perhaps linger in the memory of the oldest settler. Grass near the site of the old mill has been green and growing all made of gold. Somewhere else the hotel in Atkinson the night the cattle winter. It is irrigated by the mill race, and a high bank on the north tempers

Niobrara Pioneer: A petition has been in circulation by A. L. Towle asking for the pardon of Karl Korth, the defaulting treasurer of Pierce county. It is a George Brooks movement that the curse may be taken from his shoulders that partially led to Korth's down-

The Elkhorn Irrigation and Land company have written contracts to break and crop over 2300 acres of the land the company own on their ditch south of town. This company is demonstrating to the farmers of Holt county that irrigation is a success, and their ditch will be of vast importance to February 1, 1894. The company had arrest.

FRONTIER readers will please take notice that from this date, January 23, we | year 1894, and that the contestants knew discontinue our clubbing rate of \$2 with | that the company was using water from the Cosmopolitan. Parties desiring that its canal before they constructed their excellent magazine in connection with ditch or any part of it. The contestees THE FRONTIER must pay 70 cents in ad- deny that the company abandoned the discount of 10 to 50 per cent. for the dition to the regular price of this paper. use of water for milling purposes, next thirty days at Sullivan Mercantile In quoting the \$2 rate we made a mistake in our figures and failed to detect Col. Johnson was down from Atkin- it until we commenced receiving orders 1895, and owing to depression in busifrom our subscribers in all corners o

While we concluded our big sale last week and have discontinued discounts on regular goods, yet we are still offering a big line of shoes, overcoats. blankets, cloaks, gloves, mittens, etc., at cut prices, varying from 20 to 50 per cent., and will continue to do so until day morning. THE FRONTIER smokes the season for winter goods closes; so if you still need any warm goods see us if dered valueless. you want them cheap.

Yours respectfully,

J. P. MANN.

The friends of R. J. Hayes will be pleased to hear that the will receive \$650, insurance on his residence which burned down last Thursday. It was stated that the property was not insured, but it seems that Mr. Hayes had made application for insurance but had not heard is attracting a great deal of interest. from it at the time of the blaze. However, the application was accepted before recorded. It is Mr. Snyder's intention to the fire occurred and he will be partly compensated for his loss.

The Blair Leader says: "An editor possessed of a vicious nature and a re vengeful malicious disposition is capable of doing much harm in a community for a time, but his career is usually a very brief one. He may brood over his fancied grievances till he thinks he The breaking up of the winter is the is a much abused individual, and seek redress by calumny and abuse, through his newspaper, of persons who never gave him a moment's thought." The

> well dressed and apparently a gentleman, stepped into the depot at Clarendon last night, made some inquiries, and then went out on the platform, where he was seen to take out a revolver, place it to his head and fire it. Death was immedi

The town of Clarenden is a little station near Stuttgart, and is said to be a desolate and forlorn looking country and it is quite probable that the unfortunate man was caught there between trains, and upon inquiry found that he would have to remain in the town for an hour or two, and he thought it was

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Medal and Diple

Madison Chronicle: Don't get mad LA NOON if your visitor's name does not appear [ANIUN him a stipulation for the advancement in the personal column. Perhaps you reader. Don't get mad if your neighbor's doings are referred to more frequently than your own. Your neighbor uses his mouth. Your modesty may be keeping you in obscurity. That's no dream. A country newspaper man can't spend all his time on the street-and make three meals a day. If you know an item of news, hold us up and give it out of your system. Sixteen to one if we get it second-hand there will be a from Omaha Monday stating that Fanblunder in it.

crowds are going, for the things they bring him back to answer to the charge find not here; looking for the stately af cattle rustling. The World-Herald rear, like the knight who erstwhile gives the following account of the arrest: journeyed, chanting one old threadbare John Fanton, the alleged leader of a tune, looking for the Eldorado, that is quartette of Holt county cattle rustlers, hidden in the moon. Somewhere else was arrested yesterday morning at the their eyes are turning and they curl their residence of his brother, E. F. Fanton lips and say: "This old town is God for- of 3928 North Twenty-first street, by saken and is sinking in decay; somewhere else a man has chances; some- ives Savage and Dempsey. where else a man can rise; here we never have two coppers till they're placed asked if his name was Fanton said it upon our eyes." Somewhere else! It is was Anderson. He had been going a country where gold eagles grow on under the name of Morrison since he trees; where the greenbacks lie like arrived here about three weeks ago. snowbanks, reaching often to your knees; where the beggars ride on camels like the sainted ones of old, where the stores and said he could prove an alibi, as he are made of silver and the signs are crowds are going, going on with hopeful cries; but that country lives in dreamland, and in dreams that country dies.

State Journal, Jan. 29: The congation company vs. Frank M. Tyrrell, Anna M. Huddson, J. A. Huddson and the O'Neill Milling company answered yesterday before the state board of irri- He said he was an active worker for the gation. They allege that they have republican party last fall, and expected transferred all their interest in the ditch in the event of the election of Brady, to the O'Neill Power and Irrigation company and ask that this company be position as deputy. made one of the defendants. They state that the O'Neill Milling company erected a mill in 1892 and operated the water from the Elkhorn river, the water being used for milling purposes until used water for irrigation purposes prior to the construction of the canal in the

In 1894 the mill was destroyed by fire. but insurance was not collected until before returning. ness the company was unable to procure money necessary to rebuild. The com- to return are that the bona fide evidence the river and it is now the purpose of that he cannot obtain justice from the use the ditch for irrigation as well as factor in politics, having no pull that have a prior claim, and if this claim is so desire. and even no substantial stand-

now located at Sioux City, is making "protective association" as long as there arrangements to remove with his family to O'Neill in the early spring and will the proper course. He defends the make this his head quarters.

D. P. O'SULLIVAN DEAD.

D. P. O'Sullivan, an old resident of Holt county, died in this city last Sunday morning of pneumonis, after an illness of three weeks.

Deceased leaves a wife and several children.

The funeral occurred Monday from the Catholic church and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing

DAVID WILEY DEAD.

Saturday at the home of Frank Darr, at these people have. Scottville. Deceased was the oldest Speaking of a late report that the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Wiley, formerly of Scottville, but now of Rural the country on suspicion of being spies Hill, Ill., to which place the family re- for the Barrett Scott adherents, he moved last year. Pneumonia was the denied the reports sent out to that effect cause of death.

Mr. Wiley was an exemplary young man and leaves many warm friends to mourn his untimely death.

THE FRONOIER extends its sympathy to the family in their sad bereavement.

\$3.000 SLAUHHTER SALE.

People wishing to take advantage of this sale should try and come early to avoid the rush which we are sure to have at Sullivan Mercantile Co's., prepared to resist return. O'Neill, Neb.

Short Line Time Card.

Passenger leaves O'Neill, Net. at 10:05 Get your suits inside of twenty days, as 2:35 P. M., giving three hours time. Remember twenty days more. Lowest rates. Purchase local tickets to O'Neill and re-buy there.

Caught at His Brother's Residence In Omaha.

DENIES HIS IDENTITY

Habeas Corpus.

Sheriff Hamilton received a telegram ton was under arrest at that place, and Walt Mason: Somewhere else the he went down Tuesday morning to

Sargents Cory and Mitchel and Detect-

Fanton denied his identity, and when

Concerning his arrest, he denied all knowledge of the theft of the cattle. was at home in bed at the Merchants were alleged to have been stolen. He averred his arrest was the result of a political fight, and claimed that he had a letter from a Holt county friend stattestees in the case of the Elkhorn Irri- ing that County Attorney Murphy had promised Holmquist and Marrall leniency, and possibly an acquittal, if they would implicate Fanton in the theft. the republican candidate for sheriff, a

"I do not expect to get justice at the hands of the populist officials," he said, "as Holt county is now dominated by mill by means of a canal conveying that element." Fanton says he is acquainted with Holmquest and Marrall. A reward of \$50 is up for Fanton's

Sheriff Hamilton, of Holt county. arrived in the city last evening and will leave for home at 2 o'clock this afternoon with John Fanton, the alleged cattle rustler. Fanton is very much averse to returning to his native heath, and plied all kinds of questions to the police officers yesterday afternoon to see if he could secure a change of venue

gitimate grounds for Fanton's dislike pany posted a notice in the year 1892 against him is so strong that he fears the new company to use the ditch and populist officials is scouted, Hamilton manufacturing purposes and that they the populists cannot squelch if they did disallowed their property will be ren- ing as a citizeh, having jumped a board bill at the time of his departure.

Sheriff Hamilton says that none of the Harry West, a commercial traveller, cattle rustlers need have any fear of the is any evidence that the law is taking association, saying that it exists in the Niobrara country forty miles away from any officers of the law, and in a country

infested by cattle rustlers. "If," said he "cattle rustlers make a steal, and the people had to go forty miles for officers, who must cover the same distance to the scene, the thieves will have escaped to the reservation across the river, and pursuit is almost impossible. And then, if located, the owners must wait for a deputy marshal to take the thieves from the reservation. The protective association acts at once, David Wiley, aged 21 years, died last and affords the only safe protection that

"protectives" had warned persons from as untrue, and declared that no one except cattle thieves had been molested.

Later advices state that Fanton was taken from Hamilton's custody Wednesday on a habeas corpus, and that a hearing will be had today. It is not probable that he can avoid being returned to Holt county for trial. He has employed Will Gurley as counsel, and is

To all those who belonged to the club: A. M., immediately after arrival of train I have them marked down, after that from Black Hills, reaching Sioux City at date they will be up to the old price. January 25, 1896.

JOHN GRAYBILL, Tailor.

WETTLAUGHER IN JAIL.

Conrad Wettlaugher is in jail at Alton, Ia., on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. The following communication from that place fully explains the situation:

ALTON, IA., Jan. 28, 1896.
County Judge, O'Neill, Neb. Dear
Sir: Conrad Wettlaugher, of Shields
township, Holt county, has gathered
two car loads of seed corn and from \$150 to \$200 in cash in this vicinity, repre-senting that he was appointed by his neighbors to solicit aid for them, representing that they were on the verge of starvation, and that he and all of his neighbors lost their entire crops by hail storm last fall. He can only name John Dillon, Mr. Rickler, Andrew Smith, Mr. Ross and John Mathews as sufferers with himself. He says that the country was destroyed six miles wide and entire-

ly through your county by hail.

Will you please let me know at once
whether he is a truthful man, whether he has been appointed to solicit this grain and money, and whether he will distribute it if released from custody, and other information concerning himself and his neighbors who are on to the verge of starvation? Yours Truly, Yours Truly, WILL A. WELLS.

On the botton of the above letter was the following:

He has a recommendation signed by W. W. Bethea, county clerk; C. W. Hamilton, sheriff; and John Skirving, district clerk, asking people to contribute to him for the relief of the people. He is now under arrest and we do not wish to inflict punishment on an innocent man. If he is a scoundrel and has obtained this money and goods under obtained this money and goods under false pretenses we wish to punish him. Please wire if he is poor but honest, or if we shall hold him for letters from you. Please advise by mail also.
WILL A. WILLS.
WM. HATCHINSON.

Letters were also received by the First National bank, Elkhorn Valley bank, W. W. Bethea, and others. Answers returned were to the effect that he is neighbors are similarly situated, but that Holt county is amply able to provide Governor Holcomb at its head, as for him and them.

It is to be regretted that some of our county officials signed Wettlaugher's recommendation as a relief rustler. While the facts stated in the paper are substantially correct, the truth is that Holt county is amply able to take care of her own. The officers signing his credentials did so unthinkingly, and are now sorry for it, but Wettlaugher came to them with tears in his eyes and told them a pitiful tale of poverty, and old home in Iowa and secure funds for his relief and the relief of his neighbors, and they, moved by his overflow, complied.

He is not altogether dishonest in pur pose, as last year when this section was The sheriff declares that the only in distress he went to Iowa and secured- auspicious time to inaugurate such very acceptable to his neighbers, alpany posted a notice in the year 1892 against him is so strong that he fears appropriating all the water that flows in the river and it is now the purpose of that he cannot obtain justice from the pockets of his overalls. In the distribution of the grain at that time he incurred mill site, and it now claims the right to declaring that Fanton is an unknown the enmity of a number of his neighbors, come of whom, it is thought, have written the people at Alton and gotten him into his present difficulty.

He should not be punished, but he should be deprived of his documents

and sent home, and cautioned to do so no more forever.

THE CAUSE OF IT ALL.

Since writing the above we have received the following letter from the Democrat at Alton, which confirms our suspicions that Wettlaugher's neighbors were responsible for his arrest. Some of these men were among the first to demand a share of the relief grain solicited by Wettlaugher last year: SHIELDS TOWNSHIP, HOLT Co., NEB.,

January 22, 1896. To Sheriff of Sioux County, Io .-- Dear Sir: We understand there is a man in your county, soliciting aid in the nan of this township. His name is Conrad Wettlaufer and he is unauthorized to do so; he is doing it on his own account. He is of a sandy complexion, cross-eyed in one eye. He is a German, heavy set, weight about 180 pounds. He has no authority to solicit aid for any township in the county of Holt. We have had a fair crop here last year. No one claims county officers to sign his papers, but they refused to do so. We would like to know what names he has on his

He threshed 1800 bushels of small grain on his own farm in the year 1895. When he gets money he sits in the house and makes his wife do the farming. He has a natural propensity for lager beer. He has spent all his surplus money in litigation with his neighbors. He is now under bonds to appear in the district court for taking off two horses belonging to one of his neighbors in the night and shooting them. Court sits in February. This is a true statement. If you have any doubts, we refer you to

bank, county judge, county treasurer, all of O'Neill, Holt county, Neb. Please send us the names that he has on his soliciting paper. Direct to John Bushart, Joy postoffice, Holt county,

> BARNEY KEARNS, D. J. CRONIN. JOHN BUSHART, NAT MCGRATH JOHN CARTON.

OF MUCH IMPORTANCE.

MR. EDITOR: I have been requested by the Nebraska Club, of which I was made a director at the organization in Omaha the last of the year, to call a neeting of the people of Holt county in the near future to perfect the organization of an auxiliary club for this county.

A few words regarding the plans and purposes of this club may not be out of lace here:

This club was organized in Omaha on the 31st of December last, by representative citizens from nearly every county in the state.

The object of the club is to look after the general welfare of the great state whose name it bears; to advertise its limitless resources and advantages, and to counteract the false and damaging reports concerning it which interested defamers have industriously circulated and are yet circulating in the ou

The club is not organized in the interest of railroads, real estate men, or any other special class or clan, but for the whole state, and on the broad and compreheasive theory that all of its parts are absolutely essential to the perfection of the whole. Its central object will be to keep all of Nebraska to the front at all times and at all places when and where the most good can be done, and to leave no stone unturned or work undone to the end that she may have a fair trial in the race for supremacy among her sister states. Printers' ink will be employed liberally, exhibits will be made, agencies established, excursions arranged, as well as many other useful means employed which in the wisdom of the directors will best serve to accomplish the desired results.

As an index of its impartial character. as also its ability to command the confipoor and needy, and that some of his dence of the people, the personnel of its officers may be pointed to. With by our United States senators and congressmen, et. al., whatever information goes out from the headquarters of this club, or from any of its branches, will abmit of no doubt or suspicion as to its reliability. With intending immigrants looking for farms, with business men looking for openings, with capt looking for investments, with per looking for health and pleasure, the source from which the information they seek comes to them, is always judged by informed them that with their names on the character of those who supply it. his petition for aid he could go to his In this respect the Nebraska club is certainly happily equipped.

Already the daily press of the state has proffered its unqualified assistance in the cause, and the patriotic country press is rapidly following suit.

With Holt county this is a particularly movement. With our vast irrigation interests well under way, immigration becomes an issue of great importance. When our hundreds of thousands of acres of fertile lands susceptible of irrigation are covered by the canals already under way and others under contemplation, an additional population of 50,000 people can easily be sustained. That irrigation is rapidly becoming an active element in the growth and greatness of Holt county, is now plain to see. The so-called south ditch is completed and its lands are undergoing development, the big ditch will surely be constructed in due time, and many other smaller plants which augur much for this locality are now under contemplation.

Second only to irrigation, then, is the question of immigration, and to the end that our interests are not neglected in this particular we owe it to ourselves to throw our influence into the scale with the rest of the state and weigh for all

That an auxiliary club may be organzed in Holt county, I would request that everybody interested in the movement (and all should be) meet in the court-house in O'Neill next Monday, February 3, at 5 o'clock P. M. "Stand up for Nebraska," is the motto adopted by the club. Let us see how many will 'stand up" at the meeting next Monday.

Personal jealousies, business rivalries, petty animosities, should all be laid aside when the general welfare of the community is at stake. Bad as these evils are of themselves, they are particularly reprehensible when permitted to stand in the way of the general interests of the community. Let everyone turn out. Women are especially invited to attend. Their influence is wide and far reaching in every good cause and none have a greater interest in the prosperity and happiness of the locality than they.

All the towns of the county are requested to send delegations. These delegations are not limited in numbers.

CLARENCE SELAH.

\$3,000 SLAUGHTER SALE.

The more the better.

Of winter goods for the next thirty

days at Sullivan Mercantile Co's.