

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.

M. Stuart was down from Atkinson yesterday.

John Skirving went down to Omaha this morning.

John Stewart was down from Atkinson yesterday.

J. E. Allison was down from our sister city Wednesday.

Raph King went to Sioux City today on a pleasure trip.

WANTED—Ten more women at once at the chicory factory.

Go to Hatfield & Thompson's for the best bread you ever ate.

Miss Gertrude Fort came down from Stuart yesterday morning.

Mrs. W. T. Evans entertained the whist club last Saturday evening.

Judge Westover was down from Rushville Monday, and held a short term of court.

The Misses Grace Dunham and Mary Neeley, of Atkinson, were O'Neill visitors Saturday.

William Krotter, one of the best looking young bachelors of Stuart, was in the city yesterday.

G. H. Lindell, of Stanton, was here Tuesday, looking for stock cattle to feed his cheap corn to.

Mrs. J. Finnegan, of Chadron, was in the city several days last week, the guest of Miss B. O'Donnell.

Elmer Merriam was in from Middle Branch yesterday. He was almost a stranger to his many friends.

P. Shea went down to Lincoln Tuesday morning, where he will take in the sights of the capital city for a few days.

We sell bran, shorts, chop feed, corn and oats. Don't you need some?

Mrs. J. Elmer Allison, of Atkinson, was visiting in the city the first of the week, the guest of Mrs. E. Williams.

Everyone knows that bread and pastries baked in a brick oven are better than any other. Hatfield & Thompson sell such.

Miss Anna Lowrie left this morning for Chicago, where she will visit with her sister, Mrs. Dr. Coulter, for the rest of the winter.

FOR SALE—At once, the best milch cow in the town. Be fresh the first of February. Price, \$30, cash. Inquire at this office.

The Ladies Working Society will meet with Mrs. Bentley Wednesday afternoon January 27th, and with Mrs. Lowrie, Wednesday, Feb. 3rd.

We always lead on low prices on groceries. When needing anything in our line get our prices.

DeWitt's Sarsaparilla is prepared for cleaning the blood. It builds up and strengthens constitutions impaired by disease. Morris & Co.

Harry Shank, one of Stuart's popular and most enterprising business men, was in the city yesterday and made this office a pleasant call.

If you have not tried our buckwheat flour you don't know what you have missed. Try a sack.

County Judge McCutchan last Tuesday issued license to wed to William Rossman and Miss Annie Fritzeran, both of Catalpa.

Miss Sadie Skirving started for Jefferson, Ia., this morning, where she goes to attend school. She will be greatly missed by the young people of this city.

The length of life may be increased by lessening its dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. Morris & Co.

To cure all old sores, to heal an indolent ulcer, or to speedily cure piles, you need simply apply DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve according to directions. Its magic-like action will surprise you. Morris & Co.

F. A. Seaman, claim agent for the Pacific Short Line, was in the city last night. Mr. Seaman is one of the incorporators of McLean's line to the coast, and was in this city looking after some matters for the new company.

We carry Heinz's pickles, sweet mixed, Gherkins, chow chow and sour cucumbers. Try a quart.

O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

The weather of the past week has been all that could be desired for mid-winter. Just enough snow to cover the ground, but otherwise pleasant.

For teeth or photos go to Dr. Corbett's parlors, 23rd to 30th of each month. Photographs 75 cents per dozen.

John Huff, of Pine City, Minn., will arrive in this city about the first of February and open up a tailor shop. Mr. Huff is a brother-in-law of Mrs. Laura Cress.

We have both New York and Missouri apples, best varieties, at bed rock prices. When needing any come in.

O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

Mrs. S. A. Anderson of Council Bluffs, Iowa, arrived in the city last Monday evening and will spend a few weeks visiting her parents, east of this city. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Shiveley.

Several of our young people attended a dance at William Haines' Tuesday evening. An enjoyable time is reported as is always the case when Mr. and Mrs. Haines entertain.

Soothing, and not irritating, strengthening, and not weakening, small, but effective—such are the qualities of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Morris & Co.

Evangelists McGregor and Williams will be here Saturday and assist for ten days in the revival meetings which are being held in the Methodist church. The interest in the meetings is increasing from night to night, and much good is being done.

For the fiscal year ending July 1, 1896, the O'Neill land office, in point of receipts, was the largest in the United States. The amount of money received was about \$125,000. The indications are that this year the receipts will exceed the above amount.

On the supper bill of fare at one of the O'Neill hotels Saturday, 'rabbit potpie was called. "Excuse me," said the sporty looking boarder, "I didn't come prepared to open a jack pot," and every man around the table gave him a knowing look.

Those people who delight in dancing will look forward with pleasure to the evening of February 3rd, when the members of the Knights of Pythias of this city will give a grand ball at the rink. The Knights have a high grade reputation as leaders in social affairs of this kind, and it goes without saying that a delightful time is in store for all who attend.

The case of the state against Frank Damero and Oran Keeler came up in the county court last Monday. This is the case wherein the defendants were charged with appropriating wheat to their own use that was the property of Frank Duffey. The state dropped the case against Keeler and Damero plead guilty and was fined \$10 and costs, amounting in all to \$47. We understand that he also paid \$15 for the wheat.

Married, Wednesday morning, January 20, 1897, at the Catholic church in this city, Rev. M. F. Cassidy officiating, Myron E. Sparks and Miss Nellie Sullivan. The groom is the son of D. J. Sparks, one of the oldest settlers in the county, and has a number of friends in this city. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Sullivan, who reside about two miles south of this city, and by her ladylike manner has endeared herself to many. THE FRONTIER extends her congratulations.

Mr and Mrs. E. Williams entertained a small party of friends at their residence last Friday evening. It was the occasion of their seventh wedding anniversary and was an occasion long to be remembered by those present. The wedding anniversary supper was served at 6:30, and the menu contained all the delicacies of the season and was thoroughly enjoyed by the guests. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Allison, of Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Dobbs, and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Evans.

The entertainment given by the Musical Union at the rink Tuesday night was a success both socially and financially. The program was all good, and the guitar solo, by Prof. Glasner of Stuart, and the vocal duet by Mrs. G. C. Hazlet and Miss Mattie Mann are deserving of special mention. Just before the close, T. V. Golden, in a few concise and well chosen remarks, outlined the object of the union, and urged that an extra effort be put forth by the citizens of O'Neill to assist in carrying out that object, and thus give the children, and all who desired to attend, an opportunity to learn the rudimentary parts of music at the nominal cost of \$1 for six months' instruction.

WORK TO COMMENCE

Arrangements Have Been Made to Begin Work at Once.

DONALD CAMPBELL IN CHARGE.

A Large Force of Men to Be Put to Work By February First.

Since the decision of the supreme court on the validity of the Wright Irrigation law, the board of directors of the Golden Irrigation District have been active in making arrangements for the preliminary work on the "big ditch." Their labors will be rewarded in the near future for by February 1 it is expected that operations on the survey will commence, and will then be rapidly pushed to completion.

At a meeting of the board last Tuesday Donald W. Campbell, of Denver, Colo., was engaged as consulting engineer, and arrangements were made for the immediate prosecution of the survey, which will be under the general supervision of Mr. Campbell. A party of thirteen men will be placed in the field at once, the expense of which are already provided for by a three-mill levy on the property in the district. The money derived from the levy will be ample to enable the board to complete the estimate of the cost of the ditch, upon which to base the proposition to be submitted to the electors of the district as to whether bonds shall be issued for the completion of the enterprise. At the present time it is estimated that the cost will not exceed \$3 per acre or a total of \$1,500,000.

The district was organized in August, 1895, under the Nebraska Irrigation law. As there was a question raised as to the constitutionality of the Wright law of California, after which the Nebraska law was drawn, nothing could be done until the case was settled by the United States supreme court, which was done a few months ago, the law being declared constitutional. The district embraces land in Holt, Rock and Brown counties, containing an area of 542,000 acres of land, the soil of which is unsurpassed in productiveness when sufficient moisture is obtained. The headquarters of the district are in this city, and are in charge of the secretary of the board, E. B. Brain.

The enterprise contemplates the diversion of the waters of the Niobrara and Snake rivers into a natural reservoir capable of holding about 1,000,000 acre feet of water. This reservoir is located about 100 miles west of this city. The proposed ditch has the approval of Donald W. Campbell, who has made a personal investigation of the reservoir site and water supply, and has declared it perfectly feasible, practicable and desirable, and that the water supply is adequate to irrigate all the land in the district, after making an allowance for seepage and evaporation.

This report from so eminent an irrigation engineer as Mr. Campbell is certainly very encouraging to the residents of this section. It is expected that the survey will be completed in three or four months. Let us have the ditch by all means and then this country will blossom as the rose.

HOW THE EDITOR LIVES.

"It takes money to run a newspaper."

—From the St. John, Kansas, News. What an exaggeration; what a whopper. It has been disproved a thousand times; it is a clear case of sissy fancy. It doesn't take money to run a newspaper. It can be run without money. It is not a business venture. It is a charitable institution, a begging concern, a highway robbery. B'Godfrey, a newspaper is a child of the air, a creature of a dream. It can go on and on and on, when any other concern would be in the hands of the receiver and wound up with cobwebs in the window. It takes wind to run a newspaper; it takes gall to run a newspaper. It takes cantillating, acrobatic imagination, and half a dozen white shirts and a railroad pass to run a newspaper. But money—heavens to Betsey and six hands around, who ever needed money in conducting a newspaper! Kind words are the medium of exchange that do the business for the editor—kind words and church social tickets. When you see the editor with money, watch him. He'll be paying his bills and disgracing his profession. Never give money to an editor. Make him trade it out; he likes to swap. Then when you die, after having stood around for years and sneered at the editor and his little jim crow paper, be sure and have your wife send in for three extra copies by one of your weeping children, and when she reads the generous and touching notice about you, forwarn her to neglect to send 15 cents to the editor. It would overwhelm

him. Money is a corrupting thing. The editor knows it, and what he wants is your heartfelt thanks. Then he can thank the printers and they can thank their grocers.

Take job work to the job offices and then come and ask half rates for the church notices. Get your lodge letter heads and stationary printed out of town, and then flood the editor with beautiful thoughts in resolutions of respect and cards of thanks. They make such spicy reading, and when you pick it up filled with these glowing and vivid mortuary articles, you are so proud of your little local paper.

But money—scorn the filthy thing. Don't let the pure innocent editor know anything about it. Keep that for the sordid trades people who charge for their wares. The editor gives his bounty away. The Lord loves a cheerful giver. He'll take care of the editor. Don't worry about the editor. He has a charter from the state to act as a door mat for the community. He will get the paper out somehow; and stand up for the town, whoop it up for you when you run for office, and lie about your pigeon-toed daughter's wedding, and blow about your big-footed sons, when they get a \$4 week job, and weep over your shrivelled soul when it is released from your grasping body, and smile at your giddy wife's second marriage. Don't worry about the editor; he'll get on. The Lord knows how—but somehow.—Emporia Gazette.

"BOTANY BAY."

On February 17th the Academy Dramatic Company will present "Botany Bay," an original melo-drama in three acts. This play is founded in part on Dickens' Great Expectations, and is one of the best plays ever introduced by the popular academy company. Following is the cast of characters:

- BILL JARVIS, a convict from Botany Bay, alias Joe Armistage, a drover—strong character part.....R. J. MARSH
- SYDNEY CARTON, Bill Jarvis' partner in crime, who escapes Botany Bay by turning state's evidence—gentlemanly villain.....D. H. CRONIN
- JAMES CARTON, Sydney's brother, an aristocratic lawyer.....ART MULLEN
- DICK HAZELTON, in love with Florence, the convict's daughter and unjustly accused of crime—juvenile gentleman.....T. DWYER
- ANDREW HAZELTON, Dick's uncle, victim to Sydney Carton's villainy—breezy old man.....M. H. MCCARTHY
- DR. JEREMIAH LILLYVICK, the guardian of the convict's child, and victim of Mrs. Stork's endearments—low comedy.....A. MARLOW
- FLORENCE WAYNE, otherwise Florence Jarvis, the convict's daughter, whose filial love is won at last by the devotion of her outcast father—leading lady.....MISS NELLIE DALEY
- MRS. JEREMIAH STORK, landlady of the "Oxford Inn," a blooming widow in the matrimonial market—comic old woman.....MISS ALICE CRONIN
- MADGE FEATHERSTONE, a female tramp, full of character and strong speeches—character bit.....MRS. DELIA HANLEY
- SARGEANT FLINT, utility man.....M. CRONIN

THE SUPERVISORS.

The supervisors met last Tuesday and organized by electing Lew Combs chairman. An informal ballot was first taken and each member received one vote. Rather peculiar, was it not?

The following standing committees were appointed:

- Judicial and legal expenses, court house, jail and supplies—Combs, Campbell and Robertson.
- Printing and supplies—Robertson, Moss and Conger.
- Financial and official bonds—Hopkins, Combs and Conger.
- Settlement with county officers—Combs, Moss, Combs, Hopkins, Conger, Campbell and Robertson.
- Upon motion C. S. Handlan was elected janitor for the ensuing year at a salary of \$30 per month, except the months of June, July, August and September, when he is allowed \$5 per month extra for tending to the trees and lawn around the court house.

The county treasurer was allowed one deputy at a salary of \$700 a year, and such additional clerks as he may need at \$650 per year.

The county clerk was allowed one deputy, at a salary of \$700 a year, and such additional clerks as he may need, at a salary of \$650 a year.

The salary of the county superintendent was fixed at \$1200 and that of his deputy at \$800 a year.

The sheriff was allowed a deputy at \$700, and one clerk at \$100 a year.

The Sun was awarded the contract for printing letter heads, note heads, envelopes and claim blanks.

The contract for printing all legal notices was allowed to the Beacon Light at half legal rates, as was also the printing of the commissioners' proceedings at the same rate.

The tax list was let to the Beacon Light, the Atkinson Plain Dealer and Ewing Advocate at one half legal rates.

Our car load of G. A. R. flour is to hand. It needs no recommendation. If you need 500 pounds get our figures.

O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

MCLEAN IS CONFIDENT

Interviewed in Omaha. Very Confident of Success.

A LINE INTO SALT LAKE CITY.

Will Enter San Francisco Without Using Ferry Boats.

Omaha World-Herald, 15: Donald McLean, builder of railroads, was at the Paxton today en route to Salt Lake. He is the promoter of the Pacific Short Line, the road that is to run from Sioux City and O'Neill to San Francisco.

"That road is going to be built," said Mr. McLean. "It is now built from Sioux City to O'Neill, and trains are running every day, and what is more, the road pays. We will begin building the extension early in the summer, letting the bids for its construction in May."

"The road will be 365 miles shorter than any other transcontinental line, and it will traverse a country where the grass grows and not the desert. We cross the Union Pacific on a trestle just east of Ogden, and after we leave Ogden we go off to the north and we come into San Francisco around the tanneries, thus, you see, avoiding the ferry boat service."

"I have European backing for \$32,000,000, but it will not take this much to build the road. I am confident that it will pay from the start. As regards terminals and division points, of course, I know where they will be, but I do not care to make them known now for obvious reasons."

"We cross the Pacific slope of the Rockies at Beckwith pass and the Atlantic slope at Sweetwater, and traverse the famous Weber canyon. We will have a line into Salt Lake, and already we have twenty-five miles constructed."

"I am interested with the George Q. Canon road from Salt Lake to San Diego and it is on business connected with this that I go to Salt Lake."

NOTICE OF FILING OF TOWNSHIP PLATS.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, O'Neill, Nebraska, Jan. 18, 1897.

The public is respectfully notified that the following townships have been surveyed, to-wit:

- Township 35 north, range 13.
- Township 35 north, range 14.
- Township 35 north, range 15.
- Township 35 north, range 16.
- Township 35 north, range 17.
- Township 35 north, range 18.
- Township 35 north, range 19.

All west of the Sixth Principal Meridian, in the state of Nebraska, and that the official plats of the survey of said townships will be filed in this office on Friday, February 19, 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m., and that on and after such day this office will be prepared to receive applications for the entry of lands in said townships.

JOHN A. HARMON, Register.

E. WILLIAMS, Receiver.

The numerous friends in this city of Mr. John Groves, of Omaha, will be pained to learn of his death which took place in that city some days ago. The deceased held the position of city clerk of Omaha during the boom period of that city, and had a wide acquaintance throughout the state. The patriotic devotion of John Groves to the cause of Irish liberty was second to none. Coming to this country after being released from a British dungeon he devoted all his energies and wealth to overthrow, if possible, the British yoke of tyranny and oppression that has clung so persistently to his native land, for so many generations. While not of the same religious faith as the majority of the natives of Ireland he endeared himself to the people of that country by his devotion to the cause of Ireland's liberty and his advocacy of principles which cemented all factions in a bond of common purpose, the absolute independence of Ireland. By peaceful means if possible, by force, if necessary. The writer sincerely hopes that the spirit that actuated John Groves in the performance of his duty to his native land, may still continue to increase in the breasts of numerous brave exiles in this country until his, and their, hopes are realized and Ireland once more takes her place among the nations of the earth. Peace to the soul of a good American citizen and Irish patriot.

Clinton, Missouri.

Mr. A. L. Armstrong, an old druggist, and a prominent citizen of this enterprising town, says: "I sell some forty different kinds of cough medicines, but have never in my experience sold so much of any one article as I have of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. All who use it say it is the most perfect remedy for cough, cold, consumption, and all diseases of the throat and lungs they have ever tried." It is a specific for croup and whooping cough. It will relieve a cough in one minute. Contains no opiates. Price 25 and 50 cents.

Winter Bargains.

25 per cent discount on overcoats.

25 per cent discount on cloaks.

25 per cent discount on blankets.

25 per cent discount on lined gloves and mittens.

200 pair ladies fine shoes at half price.

100 pair ladies lined shoes at 20 per cent discount.

100 pair ladies lined slippers one-third off.

All our stamped linens one-third off.

Wool boots 4 stays 75 cents.

Overs for wool boots \$1.50.

J. P. MANN.

A Sutton merchant reports that the produce taken in at his store the past year in exchange for goods amounts to \$2,500. At 10 cents a bushel it will take 25,000 bushels of corn to produce the same amount of money. The cow and hen are important factors in the problem of life, remarks the Omaha Bee.

The following is the list of jurors drawn for the February term of the district court: Melvin Rhodes, Stuart; T. V. Norval, Chambers; J. C. Lyman, Sheridan; William Cooper, Chambers; Henry Holtz, Deloit; Sidney Powell, Stuart; Charles Gates, Atkinson; Chas. Enders, McClure; Joe McCaffery, Fairview and Shamrock; A. C. Furnell, Emmet; John Moffat, Verdigris; Richard Barrett, Grattan; B. A. DeYarman, first ward O'Neill; E. Dorothy, Chambers; L. Benson, Rock Falls; W. N. Hawkins, Swan and Wyoming; Charles Middleton, Paddock; William Lord, Verdigris; A. A. Bruce, Iowa; Phillip Eldman, Stuart; T. D. Sievers, Ewing; John Emerson, Steel Creek; P. J. Lansworth, Paddock; Robert Johnston, Ewing.

It beats all how fashionable appendicitis is becoming. Time was when you scarcely ever heard of the disease. Formerly when people were so reckless as to have it it was generally called inflammation of the bowels. Since the general term appendicitis has been applied most people have deemed it a duty to indulge in the disease. It is a favorite pastime now, apparently, for good surgeons to cure appendicitis. The method is simple. The patient is put under the influence of ether or opium, stretched out on a board and a slit made with a case knife in the right side a short distance north-east of the hip. Through this the appendix vermiformis is eliminated from the complex interior of the patient and the trouble is ended. It is now a badge of nobility in polite society to have a trap door in your side to show that you have parted with your superfluous appendix vermiformis, and that you have had the fashionable appendicitis and are effectually vaccinated against another attack.—Fremont Tribune.

Fremont Tribune: A telegram from Wayne sets forth that capitalists from Ft. Scott have about completed negotiations for the erection of a sugar factory to cost \$150,000 at that place. This news is good news as well as quite remarkable news. It is conceded that Wayne is an excellent place to locate such an enterprise but it is quite unusual for Kansas capitalists to be looking about for investments, and that part of the report smells of red herring. There is no capital in Kansas, we have been told, which accounts for Jerry Simpson, Mary Elizabeth Lease, Hirsute Peffer and Bloody Leedy, and therefore, how can it be seeking an outlet in Nebraska or anywhere else? But if there really is \$150,000 of capital in Kansas it is probable that it will go out of the state to do business. Nebraska is a populist, to be sure, but is probably a trifle better than Kansas. Governor Leedy made his campaign on a threat to "blow blood in the ears of capitalists" and it may be that these particular capitalists involved in this report are averse to having blood in their ears and are coming to Nebraska to escape the promised flood of gore. At all events we hope they will come.

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