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NEWS SANS WHISKERS

Items of Interest Told As They Are Told to Us.

WHEN AND HOW IT HAPPENED

Loss Happenings Portrayed For General Edification and Amusement.

Thanksgiving ball at the rink.

H. A. Allen was in the city Tuesday.

John Carr was up from Stafford last Sunday.

C. F. Bayha, of Neligh, was in O'Neill Sunday.

W. J. Hahn was down from Stuart last Saturday.

Bail ties and wire always on hand at Neil Brennan's. 15-1f

C. W. Hamilton transacted business at Ewing Tuesday.

Theo. Kellog, of Norfolk, was in O'Neill Tuesday.

M. F. Harrington went down the Short Line Tuesday.

Elmer Merriman was up from Ewing the first of the week.

D. W. Rosenkrans, of Dorsey, was in O'Neill last Tuesday.

C. L. Rouson, of Norfolk, was in O'Neill last Saturday.

Rafe King is now in the employ of the O'Neill Grocery Co.

Editor Eves and wife, of Atkinson, were in the city Tuesday.

N. S. Harding, of Nebraska City, was at the Evans last Tuesday.

J. F. Bacon, of Neligh, was registered at the Evans last Saturday.

Sanford Parker was over from Boyd county the first of the week.

Ex-Supervisor H. B. Kelley, of Inez, was in O'Neill last Tuesday.

Patrick Brennan, of Sioux City, is visiting in O'Neill this week.

R. P. Hall, of Chicago, was a guest at the Hotel Evans last Sunday.

W. L. Warther and L. Hilsinger, of German, were in O'Neill last Sunday.

FOR RENT—House of six rooms, rent reasonable. Enquire of Mr. Doyle. 161f

Special bargains in clothing, overcoats and winter goods at Sullivan Mercantile Co's. 17-4

W. H. Hill, of Blair, was taking in the sights in this beautiful city last Sunday.

Jas. Tracy and Rob. Bitney were Atkinson people who were in the city last Friday.

M. H. Sheeley, of the Sioux City, O'Neill and Western, was in the city Monday evening.

Mrs. Laura Cress and family have returned from Fremont and are again residents of O'Neill.

Joe McDonald was down from Atkinson Friday seeing the sights in the Emerald tinted city.

Use H and G remedy for black leg. As a preventative it has no equal. Sold by Hershiser & Gilligan. 15-1f

Several of the local sports have been out after ducks and geese the past week, meeting with fair success.

Do not let the black leg into your herd. Prevent it by using H and G. Sold by Hershiser & Gilligan. 15-1f

Miss Gerlie Fort and Miss Bertha Wise, of Stuart, were in the city the first of the week visiting friends.

Andrew Just, a former resident of Holt but now of Boyd, was transacting business in this city last Monday.

Miss Bee O'Donnell enjoyed a short visit from her friend, Mrs. Finnigan, of Chadron, the first of the week.

For teeth or photos, go to Dr. Corbett's parlors, 23rd to 30th of each month. Photographs \$1 per dozen.

FOR SALE—Thirty head of white-face Hereford young bulls. 171f JACOB KRAFT, Stuart, Neb.

S. J. Weeks and Ed Grady will leave tomorrow morning for Waterloo, Iowa, to spend Thanksgiving with relatives.

William Fagan, the gentlemanly dispenser of exhilarating beverages at Atkinson, was in O'Neill last Friday.

Patrick O'Donnell, of Chadron, came down Sunday morning and visited friends and relatives here until Tuesday.

Geo. H. Lamoureux, of Springview, was in O'Neill the first of the week renewing old acquaintances and visiting relatives.

If black leg gets a start in your herd it is hard to check it. The best remedy known is H and G. For sale by Hershiser & Gilligan. 15-1f

J. A. Doremus, a former Holt county boy but who now hangs out at Neligh, was in O'Neill Tuesday.

Small pill, safe pill, best pill. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cure biliousness, constipation, sick headache. Hershiser & Gilligan.

Mrs. C. E. Hall returned last Friday evening from Sioux City, where she has been receiving medical treatment. Her health is greatly improved.

If you want to save money get our prices on clothing, underwear, caps, gloves, mittens and all winter goods. Sullivan Mercantile Co. 17-4

On account of a wreck on the Elkhorn near Chadron last Monday, the train due here at 10 o'clock a. m. did not arrive until about 8 p. m.

The Spencer orchestra will furnish the music for a grand ball to be given next Thursday night. A first-class time is guaranteed to all who attend.

F. M. Wade, of Lebanon, Mo., arrived in the county last week and settled upon the Norris farm, east of this city, which he purchased a short time ago.

You can't cure consumption but you can avoid it and cure every other form of throat or lung trouble by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. Hershiser & Gilligan.

Married, at the M. E. parsonage in O'Neill, Wednesday, November 17, Rev. John Crews officiating, Mr. J. Y. Ashton and Miss Myrtle Eisele, both of Chambers.

D. W. Forbes was over from Butte last Monday. Dave does not have much to say about Boyd county politics since the last election. Reason: Post carried the county.

Will Hogan was in the city the first of the week. He is the same genial and smiling Will that he was several years ago when he was chief clerk in O'Neill's leading general store.

Disfigurement for life by burns or scalds may be avoided by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and for all kinds of sores and skin troubles. Hershiser & Gilligan.

There is no need of little children being tortured by scald head, eczema and skin eruptions. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve gives instant relief and cures permanently. Hershiser & Gilligan.

You can't afford to risk your life by allowing a cold to develop into pneumonia or consumption. Instant relief and a certain cure are afforded by One Minute Cough Cure. Hershiser & Gilligan.

Go to Sullivan Mercantile Co's. for bargains in clothing, gloves, mittens, caps, underwear, boots, shoes, overcoats and all kinds of winter goods, at a bargain at Sullivan Mercantile Co's. O'Neill, Neb. 17-4

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Neill and family desire us to thank the many friends who so kindly assisted them in their late bereavement, and to assure them that their sympathy and kind attention greatly assisted them in their trying hour.

Dr. Owen S. O'Neill, of Plattsburg, N. Y., arrived in the city last week and is now a resident of O'Neill. The doctor has had rooms over the First National bank fitted up for an office. Your attention is called to his card in another column.

Sheriff-elect, John Stewart was in O'Neill Tuesday. We understood that the deputyship was to be decided that day, but some rumor says the matter is still unsettled. It is reported that the contest is between John A. Golden and S. F. McNichols.

The members of the syndicate have been perspiring very freely the past week and all because one of the county officers elect evinces a disposition to pay some of his own political debts without their aid or consent. But mark this: The syndicate will win.

E. K. Valentine, of West Point, was in the city Wednesday. E. K. looks as young and spry as he did ten years ago when he represented this, then the big Third district, in the halls of congress. He has many friends here and while in the city renewed many old acquaintances.

WARNING—Persons who suffer from coughs and colds should heed the warnings of danger and save themselves suffering and fatal results by using One Minute Cough Cure. It is an infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. Hershiser & Gilligan.

Chas. E. Verity, a former north Nebraska quill pusher, was in O'Neill last Saturday in the interests of the Chicago Newspaper Union, of Sioux City. Charlie is making a success of his new vocation, which fact his many friends throughout the state will be pleased to learn.

J. M. Thirawend, of Grosbeck, Tex., says that when he has a bad spell of indigestion, and feels bad and sluggish, he takes two of DeWitt's Little Early Risers at night, and he is all right the next morning. Many thousands of others do the same thing. Do you? Hershiser & Gilligan.

J. C. Berry, one of the best known citizens of Spencer, Mo., testifies that he cured himself of the worst kind of piles by using a few boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. He had been troubled with piles for over thirty years and had used many different kinds of so-called cures; but DeWitt's was the one that did the work and he will verify this statement if anyone wishes to write him. Hershiser & Gilligan.

South Omaha Sun: Newspaper men of Nebraska after years of broken promises are being rewarded for their faithful support of the men and measures that go to make up the republican party. It is a source of gratification to see such hard-working colonels as Editors Hammond, Baker, Jenness and others, catching the political fruit of their labors—that should have fallen to them years ago. Senator Thurston could have devised no surer method of rehabilitating the party in the state than by rewarding the faithful moulders of public opinion, who make it possible for those who dispense such patronage to be elected.

From the Lone Star state comes the following letter, written by W. F. Gass, editor of the Mt. Vernon, (Tex.) Herald: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family for the past year, and find it the best remedy for colic and diarrhoea that I have ever tried. Its effects are instantaneous and satisfactory, and I cheerfully recommend it, especially for cramp colic and diarrhoea. Indeed, we shall try and keep a bottle of it on our medicine shelf as long as we keep house." For sale by P. C. Corrigan, druggist.

Walt Mason: The other day as we were out driving down town behind our family rhinoceros, we came upon an aged man tearing a bridge to pieces and placing it upon a wagon. As the bridge was one we needed in our business, we asked the ancient mariner what he was doing with it, and in which case, why so, or words to that effect. He replied: "My eyesight is poor and I have not my spectacles with me; I have been told that many advertisements are printed on this bridge, and I am taking it home in order that I may read them and find out where to get bargains. The long winter evenings are coming, and I want to lay in a supply of board fences, barn doors and bridges so that I may sit by my fire and read what the merchants have to say." We told him that the newspapers contained more advertisements than the bridges, and better ones too, but he said the print in newspapers is too fine. We drove away, glad that the bridge and fence advertisers have at least one regular reader.

Sioux City Times: Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Pepper, of Cleveland, O., who was a famous chaplain in Sherman's army, will deliver a lecture at O'Neill, Neb., on the evening of November 26, and will return east by way of Sioux City, arriving here the afternoon of November 27. His personal friend, John Brennan, editor of the Northwestern Catholic, is arranging to give him a reception. In speaking of Dr. Pepper, Mr. Brennan said he was the idol of Irishmen. "Dr. Pepper," said Mr. Brennan, "is a Methodist minister and an able exponent of that faith. An American by choice and by adoption, he has yet been faithful to his island birthland. A Protestant of the Protestants, he has always entertained an ardent affection for his Catholic fellow countrymen, and a hearty admiration for all that is just, manly and virtuous in their character. Nor has his love been unwisely bestowed. There is probably no other Irish born man on any continent so universally beloved by his compatriots. They call him 'Father Pepper,' and, knowing the purity of his life and character, his devotion to liberty and his world embracing love of humanity, they would deem it a harsh theology that would forbid them the hope of meeting him in heaven."

Something to Know. It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centers in the stomach, gently stimulates the liver and kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50 cents or \$1 per bottle at P. C. Corrigan's drug store.

State Journal: Attorney-General C. J. Smyth has been requested by the supreme court to submit a brief in the Barrett Scott case. The court requested him to cover two points not submitted by the county attorney of Holt county. The approval of the bond out of time and the estoppel of sureties are the two questions which the supreme court desires the attorney-general to argue. The Scott case is considered of great importance by the legal fraternity and the public, because it involves the same points which will come before the court in the case of ex-State Treasurer Bartley and his bondsmen. The Scott case is famous in Nebraska, for the reason that the vigilantes hanged the ex-county treasurer when his political friends, it is said, kept him from going to the penitentiary. Official bonds in both cases were approved out of time. The Bartley bond was approved January 9, instead of January 8, and the Scott bond, instead of having been approved by the county board on January 7, was not approved until March. In both cases additional bondsmen signed and the question of estoppel of sureties is involved in each. It is rumored that the supreme court could have decided the Scott case on other points, and the request made to the attorney-general is taken as an indication that the court desires to go to the bottom of the case.

The following is a story of a Nebraska pumpkin: L. M. Cope, of Minden, is the man who raised the big pumpkin a few years ago. Ever hear about that pumpkin? "Cope" planted a pumpkin seed in the back of his lot one spring. He watched over the growing vine with the tenderest care, fondly thinking of the pie he would have during the winter. When the pumpkin was about two-thirds grown, Cope turned his cow into the lot one evening. When he went out to milk next morning the cow was gone. Search for the animal was vain, and after a week or two he gave her up for lost. The time came when that pumpkin should be harvested and Cope went out to bring it in. He rigged up a derrick and prepared to hoist up the yellow fellow on the wagon, when he heard a rattling sound inside of it. Cope is not superstitious, but he admits that that noise startled him. He waited a few moments and approached the pumpkin again. Once more he heard that peculiar noise and his hair stood on end. He backed off a few yards and waited until his nerve grew steady, and then with an air of one prepared to do or die, he approached the pumpkin. "I never was so surprised in my life," said Cope, when he told the story. "I walked around to the lee side of that pumpkin and saw a big hole. Looking in I saw my long lost cow. She had eaten a hole in the pumpkin, walked in and made herself at home. She was so well satisfied that she remained in until the growing pumpkin almost closed the hole, and she did not try to get out. She just stayed in there and lived high, and when I cut her out she had increased her weight 327 pounds and gave the best milk I ever drank. It was so rich that instead of skimming the cream off, we turned it upside down and skimmed off the milk." If anyone doubts this story Cope is willing to prove it by showing some of the seeds from the pumpkin. The cow died a few months ago, and Cope says the cause of death was indigestion.—Ex.

BUTTERICK'S PATTERNS. About November 29 we will receive a complete stock of all staple patterns, and keep a full supply on hand thereafter, receiving the patterns monthly as shown in the Delinestor.

Grand Album of Fashion, Delinestor and Mirror of Fashion on sale at 25, 15 and 5 cents per copy. J. P. MANN.

THANKSGIVING. Appropriate Thanksgiving services will be held in the M. E. church of this place on the 25th inst. The Thanksgiving sermon will be preached at 10:30 a. m. by Rev. J. Crews, the pastor, and a most cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come and join in this annual expression to God for his blessings through the year.

Household Gods. The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshiped as household gods in every home. The household god of today is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds, and for all affections of throat chest and lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Free trial bottles at P. C. Corrigan's drug store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.

SECRETARY PORTER'S ACTS.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 13, 1897.—Special Correspondence: Another election outrage. The secretary of state, in open defiance of law, is opening the sealed returns without waiting for the board of canvassers.

The public understands that the returns of this election are made up by the various county clerks, forwarded to the secretary of state, to be kept by him sealed and unopened just as he receives them, to be opened, examined and declared by the canvassing board and by no one else. The canvassing board consists of the governor, secretary of state, auditor, treasurer and attorney-general. It is the duty of this board to meet on the third Monday after election for the purpose of opening these returns and the law says these returns "shall be kept in the office of the secretary of the secretary of state and shall be opened only in the presence of such board at the time provided." It is important that no one man shall be allowed to open these returns, because in case of a closely contested election there might be some dispute as to whether the returns were genuine or spurious, and so the statutes provide explicitly that the returns shall be opened only before the board at its designated sitting for that purpose so that the public if it so desires may witness the opening and may see that no one is fraudulently counted in or out.

Now in the face of this plain and unmistakable law, in the face of all the scandal that gathered around the recount frauds of last winter, in the face of the present concocted fusion majority by which there is now no political necessity such as existed last year when the reformers were trying to count in fusion judges, in the face of all the recent agitation and discussion of the rights of the ballot, Secretary Porter is opening and examining these returns as fast as they come, making of himself and his deputy the canvassing board; acting before the time, acting in secret, defying the law, and answering to those who inquire as to his unusual proceedings "that he hasn't goin' to commit no fraud on the ballot and that that are law don't amount to nuthin' nohow."

The newspaper reporters, astonished that the secretary should have the nerve to do this—it had never been done before by any secretary of state—asking Porter for an explanation, were answered, "That law is obsolete. It is obsolete like many other laws. It is no good. We can't have reform unless we have reform."

Ed R. Sizer, secretary of the republican state committee, with a view to ascertaining just what was being done and to protest against Porter's unlawful tampering with the returns, called at the secretary of state's office on Thursday afternoon.

"Where is the secretary of state?" asked Mr. Sizer. "Across the hall," answered the deputy. "Will you call him in a moment? I want to protest against your opening and tampering with these sealed election returns," said Sizer. At this Deputy Weisner flew into a fit of bad temper, awkward manners and answered, "If you want to see Porter you can hunt him up yourself, but we'll go on doin' this business our way all the same."

"But don't you know the law prohibits you from opening or tampering with these returns in this way?" asked Sizer coolly.

"By the way they are rollin' up majorities guess the people is pusty well satisfied with the way we are doin' things," answered the deputy. "You fellers needn't come round here shootin' off about this. Guess we had to open 'em up to see if they was correct, didn't we? Guess the people's done with you fellers anyway. Your stealin' settled you. You can kick and shoot off but the people don't pay no attention to you. Y'er beat in the election an' that settles you."

It happens this year that the fusion majority is so large that no contest will be filed, but if there were contests and legal complications which called these returns in question, the action of Secretary Porter would be very serious. The secretary has no more right to open these sealed returns than has the mail clerk at the postoffice or the janitor at the state house.

But the secretary simply brushes the law aside with a wave of his long arm and his loud voice and says, "The law is obsolete. It is no good."

While this is going on the governor, his private secretary and W. J. Bryan are off on a jack rabbit junket to the northwest. They will read about it in the daily papers, but they will pay no attention to it. Maret will regard it as a good joke. Bryan will regard it as too small a thing to command the attention of a great man. Holcomb will regard it with the same complaisant acquiescence with which he regarded the recount fraud, and with the same stolid indiffer-

ence with which he regards Meserve's straw bond which is still knocking at the door. It may seem like a waste of time and space to publish such facts as these, but I feel sure there will come a time when the fusion voters will realize that the introduction of southern methods into our election system is a serious matter on which they cannot afford to close their eyes and ears.

J. W. JOHNSON.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

The regular meeting of the teachers' reading circle, of the O'Neill district, has been postponed to Saturday, December 4, 1897, at 1 o'clock p. m.

E. H. WHELAN, Manager.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by P. C. Corrigan.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The rental and sale of all properties in Holt county, Neb., owned or controlled by us, have been placed for the present in charge of Mr. M. Lyons, of Emmet, Neb., and no other resident of Holt county is authorized to represent us in such matters. The properties we control are principally such as have been acquired under mortgages negotiated by the Lombard Investment company and others, either by foreclosure or voluntary deed from the borrower. We represent a large majority of the holders of Lombard mortgages and of the lands acquired under them in Holt county. All tenants upon such lands or anyone who may desire to become tenants or purchasers may correspond or confer with Mr. Lyons in reference thereto.

KANSAS CITY, October 1, 1897.

CONCORDIA LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY.

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COLLISION ON THE ELKHORN.

CHADRON, Neb., Nov. 15.—Special to State Journal: In a head-end collision between a freight and passenger train seven miles east of here this morning the passengers narrowly escaped instant death. The wreck occurred only a few feet beyond a deep cut, on either side of which were walls of stone towering to a height of fifty feet. The cool behavior of Engineer Cooley of the passenger train is what avoided one of the most disastrous accidents in the history of the Elkhorn railroad. With rare presence of mind the engineer, before leaving his cab, reversed his engine and set the air brakes on his train, deserting his engine when the incoming train was within a few feet of his locomotive.

The accident was due to the engineer of the through freight, No. 37, misconstruing his instructions, which were to meet the passenger train at Bordeaux, seven miles east of here. Connors left his engine as soon as he saw the other train coming, and when the crash came his train was going at a speed of not less than twenty miles an hour. Engineer Cooley of the passenger train had his train under control, and the fact that it was at a standstill, with all brakes set, is all that saved the lives of the half hundred passengers.

A half dozen box cars loaded with merchandise and three cars of mules, consigned to Ft. Robinson, were piled up in a heap, engines and contents of the cars being a total loss. No one was killed or injured, though Mail Clerk Rowe, who was lying on a cot in his car had a narrow escape. The tank of the engine cut off the entire side of the car opposite where he was lying and deluged him with water, but he escaped uninjured. The mail not contained in the pouches is greatly damaged, some of it being entirely ruined.

It often happens that the doctor is out of town when most needed. The two year old daughter of J. Y. Schenck, of Caddo, Ind. Ter., was threatened with croup. He writes: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor at once, but as he was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which relieved the child immediately." A bottle of that remedy in the house will often save the expense of a doctor's bill, besides the anxiety always occasioned by serious sickness. When it is given as soon as the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. Thousands of mothers always keep it in their homes. The 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by P. C. Corrigan, druggist.

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J. P. MANN.