

EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

As Gleaned by the Frontier Reporter on his Daily Rounds About the Town

EVERYTHING THAT OCCURED Is Recorded Here, If Not It Escaped the Anxious and Tireless Search of Our Reporter

Oil Meal at Horkiskey. Go to Horkiskey's for oil meal. Buy three Stargasoline at Horkiskey's. R. H. Murray was up from Page Wednesday.

House and lot for sale. Inquire of T. D. Handly. Dr. J. S. McDonald was down from Atkinson last Friday.

Jacob Rock, of Atkinson was in the city last Friday. Attorney S. D. Thornton, of Neligh was in the city Monday.

B. A. Deyarman house and barn for sale. Use three Star gasoline, the highest, for sale by J. C. Horkiskey.

If you want a good riding plow Bentley has one to sell you. Mrs. Louie Storm, of Spencer, was visiting relatives in this city last week.

Mrs. S. J. Weekes left for Omaha last Friday morning for a short visit with her parents. Edward Adams, the Chambers banker and lumberman, was in the city Wednesday.

Jake Kraft was down from Stuart Wednesday attending the Modern Woodman convention.

4 good rooms for rent over my Implement store. Robert Hughes and Ida L. Beck, of Brodie, were granted a marriage license by Judge Morgan on March 17.

The divorce case of Mary Rosenbeery as Mark Rosenbeery, mention of which was made in these columns last week has been dismissed.

J. W. Finnigan, passenger conductor on the Elkhorn between Long Pine and Chadron, was in the city Monday visiting friends.

Several new buildings are planned for O'Neill this spring and summer and it promises to be a busy season for the mechanics and laborers.

B. E. Sturdevant, Paul Schutlz and William Bokhoff, of Atkinson, were in the city Wednesday attending the Modern Woodmen convention.

Hugh O'Neill, the celebrated "sage of Chelsea" was in O'Neill Monday disposing of some of his real estate holdings in the north part of Holt.

\$4 a ton paid in cash for old iron at Nye & Schneider's office for the next two weeks. Also big price paid for old rubber, copper and brass.

SEE My line of wall paper direct from factory. Don't buy from dealers when you can save 25 per cent. See me.

I have for sale one span good young work horses. Also 2 good second hand top buggies.

Fine large Early Rose seed potatoes for sale at market price.

Raymond Bingson, aged 20 and Miss Gertrude Hutson, aged 21, of Middle Branch, were united in marriage by Judge Morgan last Saturday afternoon.

W. F. Grothe, of Atkinson, was a caller Wednesday renewing his subscription and furnished the editor a good cigar on a son, and heir which arrived at his home last week.

Buggies, buggies, buggies—A car load of the nicest and best that ever came to O'Neill; if you want a snap now is your chance to call and get your pick.

For Sale—Seven hundred bushels of seed wheat. Farmers that want good seed give me a call; nine miles north and five miles west of O'Neill.

Griffin Bros. have commenced the erection of a building 20x40 on the lots north of the O. O. Snyder Lumber Company's office. When completed they will move their tailor shop therein.

FOR RENT—The 240 acre Carlon farm adjoining O'Neill. Running water, fine meadow and pasture. Dwelling, shade, etc. Apply at once to O. F. Biglin, O'Neill, Neb.

Now is the time to buy or trade for a good short horn bull. The Brook Farm Co., have 25 that can't be beat.

J. R. Thomas Foreman. Farm 10 miles northeast of O'Neill.

Just opened up for the spring a very fine assortment of Sioux City garden seeds in bulk and in packages also onion sets, alfalfa and white clover blue grass.

We have too many anti-rust wash boilers and dish-pans. Must sell some of them to reduce the stock. Come and get the reduced prices. O'Neill, Furniture and Hardware Co. Successors to M. A. McCaffery.

The O'Neill, Furniture and Hardware Co., successors to M. A. McCaffery, we want to go out of the lamp and queensware business and will sell at any old price to close out. Come and see their stock.

Pat McGinnis left for Cody, Wyo., Monday morning where he expects to make his future home. The good wishes of his many O'Neill friends accompany him and hope he will acquire both wealth and fame in that upon among the mountains.

Charlie Meiham, who has been visiting at the home of his sister Mrs. P. H. McNichols for several months, returned to his home in Milwaukee, Wis., Monday morning. Mrs. McNichols accompanied him and will visit her relatives in that city for a couple of months.

C. W. Moss, of Amelia, was in the city Wednesday. Mr. Moss returned a short time ago from Chicago where he had been in the hospital for several months, but has now about regained his old time vigor and his many friends are congratulating him upon his recovery.

The Brook Farm Co., have Bulls for sale and their Dames have weighed 2100 hundred. Brother stockman come and buy one of these bulls and grow 1800 hundred lb steers with the same feed you grow 1000 and 1200 lb ones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mellor are rejoicing over the arrival of a son at their home last Monday morning. Jess says the firm of Mellor & Quilty will have to be increased to admit Mellor jr. to partnership and that the junior partner will be the managing member of the firm, or at least of the Mellor part of it.

Call at Mrs. Fitzsummon's and see the beautiful and stylish line of Easter hats on exhibition. The finest line of pretty and stylish ladies hats ever brought. Pattern hats always in stock and first-class trimmers to give them the artistic touch. Second door east of Hotel Evans.

Michael Stafford, of Norfolk, was in the city Monday looking after business matters. Mr. Stafford disclaimed any knowledge of the intent of the company to put another passenger train on this division and as Mr. Stafford occupies an official position with the Elkhorn it appears that if a new train was going on he would be aware of it.

Two thousand dollars worth of first class furniture has been ordered by the O'Neill Furniture & Hardware Co., successors to M. A. McCaffery. Shipment will arrive about the 15th of April. Very best goods and lowest prices. The stock of furniture on hand now will be disposed of very cheap to make room for the new stock.

Anyone who desires to have paper-pering, painting, calcemining and frescoing done, it will be to their advantage to see me. I have had over forty years experience and will guarantee work to be first-class. Leave orders for work at Corrigan's drug store or address me at Agee, Neb.

The Halderson Photo Company have commenced the erection of a gallery 20x30 on the lots formerly occupied by their photo car on Fourth street. When completed they expect to have one of the neatest and most up-to-date galleries in the west equipped with all the latest machinery necessary to the production of first-class work.

Clark Hough has purchased the lease held upon the Dewey Hotel from R. H. Wells & Co. and took possession last week. In the deal he also secured the lower livery barn and is now operating the same. Clark has had considerable experience in the hotel business and The Frontier predicts that he will make a success of the Dewey.

W. J. O'Connor returned from Scranton, Pa., last Saturday evening where he was called about three weeks ago on account of the serious illness of his mother. The illness proved fatal and she passed to the great beyond a couple of days after Mr. O'Connor's arrival. Will says things are booming in the mining towns of Pennsylvania. There is plenty of work at good wages and lots of money in circulation and the people seems contented, prosperous and happy.

The following item clipped from an exchange might with truth, be applied to some of the O'Neill merchants. The story is told of an old bachelor who bought a pair of socks and found

attached to one of them a slip of paper with these words: "I am a lady of 20 and would like to correspond with a view to matrimony." Name and address were given. The bachelor wrote and in a few days got this letter.

"Mamma was married twenty years ago. The merchant you bought those socks from evidently did not advertise or he would have sold them long ago. Mamma handed me your letter and said possibly I might suit you, I am eighteen years old."

Attorneys Harrington and Mullen filed a suit in the district court last Tuesday for Michael P. Jordan, of Rock county, against the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railroad, in which Jordan sues the above company for \$40,000 damages on account of injuries alleged to have been received while on a train operated on defendant's road in July, 1901. Plaintiff alleges that he was a passenger on a train on defendant's road and when the train arrived at Newport, the destination of plaintiff, he got out of his seat and walked to the door. About the time he reached the door the train stopped suddenly and plaintiff was thrown backwards and injured his wrist, side and head in said fall and that said injuries have seriously impaired the health of plaintiff. The case will probably come up at the next term of the district court.

The county convention of the Modern Woodmen of America, composed of delegates from the various Woodmen camps in this county was held in this city Wednesday morning. The convention was for the purpose of electing one delegate to attend the state camp to be held in South Omaha next month and for the purpose of selecting the place for holding the next county convention. O. F. Biglin was elected chairman and F. W. Phillips, clerk. A roll call of the several camps was taken to bring out the candidates and the names of the following gentlemen were presented by their respective camps: B. E. Sturdevant, Atkinson; W. B. Cooper, Chambers; C. Lockard, of Ewing. On the fourth ballot Mr. Sturdevant was elected. Mr. Lockard being elected alternate. Upon motion O'Neill was elected as the place for holding the next county convention, after which the convention adjourned.

While not as yet official announced we have it from good authority that the Great Northern passenger train will again change time, possibly next Monday. Arrangements are being made to run the passenger as a mixed train and take off the freight now running. Under the change contemplated trains will leave Sioux City and O'Neill every morning at 7 o'clock, taking eight hours for the run and reach the end of the division at 3 p. m. Thus the train leaving O'Neill at 7 o'clock in the morning would arrive at Sioux City at three in the afternoon and would remain there until 7 o'clock the next morning when it would start back. The train leaving Sioux City at the same time would be here from three in the afternoon until 7 o'clock the next morning.

The most important case tried at the recent term of the district court was the damage case of Axel Hagblad against the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railroad. M. F. Harrington assisted by A. F. Mullen, conducted the case, for the plaintiff, while J. C. Sheehan, of Omaha, assisted by R. R. Dickson looked after the interests of the defendant. Hagblad was injured by a train at Norfolk last December, having his head smashed and his scalp torn open which required fifty-six stitches to sew up. He brought suit against the company for \$20,000. The case was contested inch by inch by the opposing lawyers and the proceedings each day attracted a large crowd. The argument of the attorneys on both sides were strong and convincing. The case was given to the jury at 11 o'clock last Thursday morning, at 9:30 Friday morning they returned a verdict for plaintiff, assessing his damages at \$4,000.

South Dakota has long enjoyed the reputation of being the mecca sought by all who were desirous of being relieved from the galling bonds of wedlock and many a member of New York's "400" or Boston's smart set has sought the capitol city of our sister state to gain the necessary residence prior to bringing their suit for divorce. Hundreds of this class of citizens reside in that state each year and several of the cities have organized what are known as "divorce committees" to advertise among the would-be divorcee or divorcer the merits of their respective towns as places of abode during their enforced stay in the state. Dakota gained its popularity as a divorce state because it was claimed divorcees were easily and quickly obtained and without the notoriety that was gained by such actions in other states. Nebraska has

never had a reputation as a divorce state but a divorce was granted in the district court in this county last Monday that for a speedy untying of the nuptial knot we think can discount our sister state. The case was that of Elizabeth J. Newman vs William H. Newman. In her petition for divorce plaintiff alleged that for six months past she had been a resident of Nebraska and that defendant was also a resident of this county and state. She further alleged that they were married near Red Oak, Iowa, in December, 1874, and that ever since that time she conducted herself toward defendant as a faithful, chaste and loving wife. She alleged further in her petition, that defendant abandoned her in December, 1899, and that he has not lived with her since that time and has not supported nor contributed her support since. For the reasons stated she prayed for a decree of divorce and such other relief as might be equitable. To the petition of plaintiff, defendant filed an answer in which he admitted that they were married as stated in plaintiff's petition and were and had been residents of Nebraska for six months, but denied each and every other allegation. While defendant denied the main causes of action in plaintiff's petition, he entered no objection to the granting of the divorce. The petition was filed about 3:40 p. m. and 10 minutes thereafter the decree was granted. This ought to be speedy enough to satisfy even the most particular of the Sioux Falls divorce colony.

As to Exemption Laws. A correspondent in the Trade Exhibit has the following article upon the exemption laws which we publish for the benefit of a few in O'Neill who evade the payment of their just obligations at every opportunity:

Dear Sir—A writer in the Examiner, over the name of Roderick Randam, speaking of some proposed legislation refers to merchants' endeavor to obtain a just collection law as "a legislative airship—that is to secure the nullification of the poor man's protection,—the exemption law."

Either our friend is making a play to the gallery or else does not know whereof he speaks. Does our friend know the present exemption laws?

A head of family who has no lands, town lots or houses exempt as homestead shall have property to the value of \$500.00 exempt from levy and execution.

Then the statute, a relic of antiquity, adopted in this country in colonial times and at this day modernized but slightly, recites a few of the things in the way of personal property that shall be exempt—Books, Seat or Pew in Church, Burial Plot, all necessary wearing apparel for the family, beds and bedding stoves and cooking utensils, all household furniture of value of \$100.00, not before enumerated. One cow, three hogs, all pigs not over six months old. And if he is a farmer, in addition, one yoke of oxen, or a pair of horses, ten sheep and the wool thereof, either in the braid or in yarn or cloth. Necessary food for the stock for a period of three months, one wagon, cart or dray, two plows and other farm implements not exceeding in value \$50; provisions for self and family for six months and fuel for six months, the tools and implements of any mechanic; the library and instruments of a professional man; a laborer, clerk or mechanic has sixty days wages exempt, which practically means that as sixty days wages are never owing to him at one time, he is always exempt. A homestead of the value of \$2,000 is exempt. Now, in all fairness to the poor man it must be said he is as a rule, honest and lives within his means.

A man who owns any of the classes of exempt property above enumerated is not in the strict sense, a poor man, and if he contracts bills should be made to pay them.

An honest man will not agree to contribute according to his means toward liquidating his debts. This is all the mechanics ask. The bill, as proposed, simply provides that the court shall inquire into the debtor's income and direct what portion, if any, shall be paid in installments, having due regard to the debtor's necessities. Every advanced state in the union has either already provided or is striving to provide better collection laws—aimed not at the poor man, but at the cheat.

Every lawyer will tell you that not one in one hundred judgments is collected; not because the debtors are poor men, but because the debtors are, as a rule, dishonest men who hide behind their exemption.

Perhaps it would be well to define what one friend calls a poor man:

It is the hard-working, sober man who has met with misfortune, is all, or out of work and wants to pay his debts, but cannot. Then I believe in protecting him, and the law, as proposed, does protect him.

It is the harbored schemer who buys until his credit is exhausted in one place, then goes to another and so on, never paying anyone, but always religiously claiming his exemption. Then the proposed law won't protect him and is intended to make such characters pay—an even then, it provides this shall be done without hardships to his family.

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The barn is well filled with exempt food for the stock.

In the tool house are exempt plows and other instruments, while in the store room are exempt provisions (not paid for) for the debtor and his family sufficient for six months, and they have grand appetites. The coal bins are filled with exempt fuel sufficient for six months.

Across the road is an exempt burial plot, while adjoining in the church is an exempt pew, where on a Sunday the debtor assembles with his family, while they sing, "Oh, Let Us be Joyful," and the sheriff returns the execution "N. B." Do you think the exemption laws need amending?

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County News Notes. From The Atkinson Graphic:

Mrs. Chas. Holbrook of Minneapolis, Minn., arrived Wednesday and will visit her aunt, Mrs. J. G. Murphy. Mrs. Holbrook was formerly Miss Florence Brown and at one time was a teacher in our public school. Her many friends will be pleased to meet her.

Wm. Stevens this morning started for Seattle, where he will look over the prospects for establishing a new home there. But he said before leaving that it would have to be pretty good if it induced him to leave Holt.

Mr. George Millsbaugh and family will move to Sheridan, Wyo., the latter part of this week, where Mr. Millsbaugh will work at his trade.

Misses Katie Kozisek and Mary Krziza came up from O'Neill, last week to attend the entertainment given by Miss Hanna Radcliff at the Bercha school house.

John H. Peterson and S. B. Sanderson of Vermillion, S. D., were here Saturday looking up land. We understand they found what they wanted and will soon become residents among us.

From The Stuart Ledger. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Fort went to Chicago last week on account of the failing health of Mr. Fort, who will take treatment there for a while and then go south to live.

Mrs. Carberry is here from Deadwood, visiting her daughter Mrs. Frank Biglow.

Mrs. Sturdevant has been ill for some days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Chittick.

A christian who has to be warmed over every revival is about as palatable as dish of warmed over mush.

Some persons who imagine themselves as wise as serpents and harmless as doves, are really harmful as serpents and silly as doves.

Mrs. John Roberson died Mar. 20, 1903 at a hospital in Omaha. She has been an invalid since the birth of her last baby, over a year ago, and many times her life had been despaired of. Florence A. Hudson, was born in Grant county Wisconsin, Mar. 6, 1864 and was married to John Roberson Nov. 11, 1883, nine children were born to this union, seven of which are now living. Although Mrs. Roberson was a member of no church, she was a Christian woman of high virtues, and a loving mother, a devoted wife and a true friend. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Carpenter, and a large concourse of people followed the remains to Cleveland cemetery. Mr. Mrs. Robertson's former home was at

Cleveland. Mrs. Roberson had lived in Holt county 25 years. D. M. Stuart, Frank Bailey, R. E. Chittick, Roswell Haskin, George Haskin, E. E. James were pall bearers. The sorrowing family have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

Agee Items. Corn husking is almost over. Clarence and Irwin Simonson and John Crandell were duck hunting last week.

Miss Flora Wrede, who has been in Iowa visiting her sister the past year, is again a resident of Holt county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Simonson are the proud parents of a baby boy.

Joe Wrede has given up going to Montana. Good for Joe. There is no place like old Holt.

R. E. Bowden is on the sick list this week. Agee Rose.

Ray. Mr. and Mrs. Dodge were Ray visitors Friday.

Mr. John Gordon was at the county seat Saturday.

Myrtle Deyarman's school closed last Friday.

Colmer and Estella Ross were in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller have lately moved on the Wilcox farm.

Earl and Etta Shaw visited with Mr. Bigler's folks Sunday.

Mr. Wequist hauled lumber for Mr. Coombs last Saturday.

Miss Etta Shaw of Paddock and Etta Bigler visited Estella Ross on Monday.

Mr. John VanKirk came over from Spencer last week. He will work for Mr. Coombs this summer.

Mr. Coombs has two carpenters working on his new barn, they will soon have it completed.

Mrs. Wequist and daughter, Mrs. Twyford, Mrs. Deyarmon and Myrtle were Ray callers Monday.

Great Northern Line. Return limit twenty-one days, stop-overs allowed at intermediate points. For full information apply to Agent O'Neill, Neb., or Fred Rogers, G. P. A., Sioux City.

For Sale or Rent. 160 acre tract, situated in section 15-29-12. Reasonable. Address Miss B. Kennedy, 20th and C streets, Lincoln, Neb. 38-4

Homeseekers Round Trip Rates. To all points in Northern Minnesota, North Dakota, Montana, Washington, Oregon and Canada, first and third Tuesday of each month at rate of one fare plus \$2. via the.

Notice. The Democrats of O'Neill and Grant townships are requested to meet at John A. Harmon's office, in O'Neill on Saturday evening April 4, at eight o'clock for the purpose of organizing a Democratic Club.

Wm. Fallon, Chairman Co. Cent. Committee

The Market. [Special market letter from Nye & Buchanan Co., Live Stock Commission Merchants South Omaha, Nebraska.]

South Omaha, April 2, 1903. This week is bringing a little better cattle market thus far. Receipts have been moderate Wednesday's market is 10 higher than last week's close. We expect a little stronger market for a few days now. Stockers and feeders strong.

We quote good beef steers \$4.60 to \$5.00, fair \$4.10 to \$4.50, warmed-up \$3.85 to \$4.10, choice cows and heifers \$3.60 to \$4.10, fair to good \$3.00 to \$3.50, canners and cutters \$1.75 to \$2.50. Choice light stockers and feeders \$4.20 to \$4.40, good \$3.75 to \$4.20, stockers heifers \$3.00 to \$3.25. Bulls slow at \$2.60 to \$3.80; veal \$4.00 to \$6.

Hog receipts fair. Range \$7.00 to \$7.35. Sheep receipts moderate. Market steady.

Killers. Lambs \$7.00-\$7.25. Yearlings 6.25-\$6.75. Wethers 6.00-\$6.50. Ewes 5.25-\$5.50.

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