

RURAL WRITINGS

[Items from the country are solicited for this department. Mail or send them in as early in the week as possible; items received later than Wednesday can not be used at all and it is preferred that they be in not later than Tuesday. Always send your name with items, that we may know who they are from. Name of sender not for publication. See that your writing is legible, especially names and places, leaving plenty of space between the lines for correction. Be careful that what you tell about actually occurred.]

Ray Items.

At this writing, all crops and gardens look their best.

Mr. John Twyford and son, Henry, did trading at the county seat Monday.

Bert Harding took in the horse race and bronco riding over near Saratoga last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Tharenet visited last Sunday at the home of Chas. Bigler, sr.

Loyd Harding has been sick the past week, but he is reported better at the present time.

Mr. Hans Aberhanson and Miss Emma Tharenet of this place took in show in O'Neill Saturday.

Chas Bigler, sr., and Chas Bigler, jr. had new brick chimneys built on their houses last week by Mr. Banty.

C. H. Bigler's house caught on fire one day last week, but the flames were soon extinguished by a pall of water.

Charles Viquist returned from South Dakota last Thursday where he had been to file on a claim near Rapid City.

Phoenix Pick-Ups

Harmen Damero was in town Wednesday.

"The cat came back", so did Henry Bartels!

Arleigh Moore was a Phoenix visitor Sunday.

Otto Nilson finished his duties as assessor Friday.

Margie Elliott spent Wednesday with Ethel Anderson.

Chas Keeler and wife were in town a couple of days last week.

Ethel Anderson stayed at Ray Coburn's a few days last week.

Ted Anderson was a visitor at Mr. McMann's the latter part of the week.

Fred Turner and family were visitors at L. G. Coburn's Sunday afternoon.

Lewis Coburn was a caller at Mr. Wabbs and took dinner at Mr. Reisers Friday.

Mrs. Reiser and son James were Phoenix visitors the latter part of the week.

Wilber Kirkland was out from town from Thursday until Saturday afternoon.

Wilber Kirkland and Roy Taft took dinner at Mrs. Flora Coburns Saturday.

Otto Nilson and family also Chris Henkle and family visited at Ben Kinney's last Sunday.

S. W. Anderson was an Atkinson visitor Friday as was also John Damero and Ralph Coburn.

Wm. Biggs and family, accompanied by Mss Mary Brooks, were Sunday visitors at Chas Lockwood's.

Mrs. Nilson, Roy and Clyde Wanda and Ben Anderson took in the circus at O'Neill Saturday and reports it a fine show.

Roy Taft was here Saturday from near Stuart and erected tombstones at the graves of John Damero and E. L. Coburn.

While Geo Wearne was crossing the bridge at Badger Friday, the north end of the bridge went down, but luckily he managed to save all but the load of corn he was hauling.

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CHAMBERS
We hear that W. A. Jeffers has purchased the Coppoc building of O. F. Biglin.

Lightning struck the barn of John Ullum last Monday night, burning the barn and a pony and saddle which were in it.

Last Monday night lightning struck the Fleek house west of town occupied by Clarence White; it tore off part of the shingles, a portion of the plaster and killed a dog which was in the house. The family however escaped without injury, other than a severe shock.—The Bugle.

STUART
John Laird, his nephew, John Metcalf and Lee Snyder started for Texas to buy up 600 head of cattle for the Laird ranch on the reservation.

A week ago Sunday a bolt of lightning fell from a clear sky on the Tuttle farm, igniting the dry grass and starting a prairie fire. By the prompt action of Theodore Higley the renter, the flame was put out.

Chas. Dobney is hobbling about in a badly mutilated shape, both hands tied up and smeared with arnica, and his feet limping at a poor rate. He got his wounds by falling from the tower of a windmill which he was putting up for S. H. Corliss.—The Ledger.

ATKINSON
Alex Searl, who has been ailing the past two months with nervous trouble, left for Omaha Sunday to consult a specialist.

A. A. Allen is building an addition, 28x28, to his residence and when completed it will make one of the finest homes in the city. Parties from Newport have the contract to do the carpenter work.

Clarence Tenborg of Emmet, and Rose Malloy of Omaha, formerly of Emmet, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at the home of the bride's parents Monday evening. The groom is one of Emmet's prosperous businessmen and the bride is a charming young lady and we can safely say: "Clarence has won an American Beauty Rose." We wish them much happiness through life. This prosperous young couple will begin house-keeping in their new home at Emmet the first of June.

A complaint was filed last Tuesday in Justice Golden's court at O'Neill against August Moeller, charging him with selling malt and spirituous liquors in the village of Atkinson without a state license. A warrant was issued and placed in Constable Weller's hands who closed up Mr. Moeller's place of business and took him to O'Neill Wednesday morning for a hearing. The village board refused Mr. Moeller a saloon license this spring and he maintained that he had a right to dispose of his goods under the right of a wholesale license but our village board differed with him and resulted in invoking the services of the county attorney and the matter will be determined by the courts.

During the thunder storm Monday evening lightning struck the residence of Ed Purdy setting it on fire; a heavy rain was falling at the time which fortunately put it out with very little damage to the building. Mrs. Purdy and her son were in the house at the time and Mrs. Purdy had a very narrow escape from serious injury, she being struck on the arm with the deadly bolt which burned the sleeve of her dress and ran down into a coal scuttle which she was carrying at the time, giving her a bad shock, from which it took her some time to recover. The interior of the house was not damaged only to the extent of breaking a few dishes in a cupboard which stood on the opposite side of the room from which the lightning bolt entered.—The Graphic.

Estray Notice.
Estrayed from my place six miles west of O'Neill about May 1, one bay mare, weighing about 900, star in face; one black mare 2 years old, weighing about 500; both branded on left shoulder. Also four steers marked with slit cut in brisket. Suitable reward for return of same or information of their whereabouts.—James B. Ryan. 47-3

IN THE NITRATE COUNTRY.

Industry of the Barren, Dusty Deserts of South America.

In his "Commercial Traveler in South America" Frank Wiborg writes: "We stopped at a number of the nitrate towns—Pisagua, Iquique, Antofagasta—and I visited some of the mills, or oficinas, in order to see something of the industry. Deposits of the crude nitrate of soda, called here 'caliche,' are found in the pampa, or rolling plateau, beyond the first range of foothills. In some places this plateau is but ten miles from the coast, in others as far as fifty miles. The pampa is an utterly barren desert. On the surface there is nothing to tempt the heart of man, but a few feet down lies the nitrate stratum. This presents much the appearance of rock salt and varies in color, according to the purity of the deposit, from a whitish tint to a dark gray. The upper earth is blown away with dynamite, and then the caliche is dug out with pick and shovel, loaded on iron carts and carried up to the mills.

"Here the caliche is first broken into small pieces by heavy crushers and then put into large boiling vats. Inside these vats are coils of steam pipes, by means of which the temperature can be regulated accurately. Sea water is poured in, and the caliche is boiled for a certain time. The liquid solution that results is drawn off into settling vats, which are exposed to the open air and the sun. Evaporation is rapid, and the pure nitrate of soda soon begins crystallizing and settling to the bottom. After this has gone on for some time the remaining liquid is drawn off and the crust of nitrate is scraped from the sides and bottom of the vat and thoroughly dried in the sun. Then it is graded according to quality and packed for shipment in 100 pound sacks.

"Most of the nitrate exported is used as a fertilizer, but a part goes to the manufacture of powder and high explosives. The nitrate towns are even barer and drier and less inviting than most of the other bare, dry towns of the coast. To some of them fresh water is brought in pipes from a distance of more than 100 miles. Before the day of these pipes it used to be sold in the streets by the gallon. That water even now, though not scarce, yet is not plentiful, is perhaps some excuse for the awful dust that blows everywhere."

THE DEVIL'S CODE.

Legend of a Monk, Satan and a Quick Night's Work.

Stockholm's public library contains a wonderful work which is called "The Devil's Code" and which, in addition to its extraordinary name, is said to be the biggest manuscript in the world. Every letter is most beautifully drawn, and the magnitude of the work is so great that it seems impossible for any single monk to have done it.

The story of the origin of the manuscript, however, not only gives it as the work of one man, but also states it to be the work of a single night. The story runs as follows: "A poor monk had been condemned to death, but was told mockingly by his judges that if he was able to copy the whole 'Code' between darkness and dawn he would be saved. Relying upon the impossibility of the task, those who sentenced him furnished him with the original copy of the 'Code,' with pen, ink and parchment, and left him. "Death must have been as little liked in the middle ages as it is now, for the monk, forgetting the hopelessness of his task, commenced it. Before long, however, he saw that he could not save his own life by such weak exertions, and, fearing a cruel and horrible death, he invoked the aid of the prince of darkness, promising to surrender his soul if he were assisted in the task.

"The devil kindly obliged by appearing on the spot, accepted the contract and sat down to the work, and next morning 'The Devil's Code' was finished, the monk being found dead. The copying clerk from the infernal regions presumably fled away with the poor man's soul as soon as the wicked compact was finished."—Pearson's Weekly.

Embarrassing.
A New York judge, speaking of a mistake that had been made, said: "It might have been embarrassing—as embarrassing as the position of a young man of Toledo whom I heard about the other day. He had been calling now and then on a young lady, and one night as he sat in the parlor waiting for her to come down her mother entered the room instead and asked him in a very grave, stern way what his intentions were. He turned very red and was about to stammer some incoherent reply when suddenly the young lady called down from the head of the stairs, 'Mamma, mamma, that is not the one!'"

Remembered the Text.
A little Topeka girl came home from church the other day and was asked what the minister's text was. "I know it all right," she asserted. "Well, repeat it," her questioner demanded. "Don't be afraid and I will get you a bedquilt," was the astonishing answer. Investigation proved that the central thought of the sermon had been, "Fear not, and I will send you a comforter."—Kansas City Journal.

End of His Dream.
"I thought you said you were going to have a den in your new house."
"Yes, I did expect to, but after it had gone so far that we couldn't change things my wife discovered that she would need another closet."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A great lie is like a great fish on dry land; it may fret and fling and make a frightful bother, but it cannot hurt you. You have only to keep still and it will die of itself.—Crahe.

Receiver's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that the following described real estate will be sold to the highest bidder for cash by O. F. Biglin, receiver of the Elkhorn Valley Bank on the 11th day of June, 1906.

Viz. The northeast quarter of section twenty-five (25) in township twenty-nine (29) north of range twelve (12) consisting of 160 acres of land. This is the Hagerly homestead adjoining the city of O'Neill, with improvements thereon of the value of \$4000.

Lots twenty-four (24), twenty-five (25), twenty-six (26), twenty-seven (27), and twenty-eight (28), in block fifteen (15) in the original town of O'Neill, with all improvements thereon, hotel site.

Lots two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), in block A. and one (1), two (2), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), nine (9), ten (10), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirteen (13), fourteen (14), fifteen (15), sixteen (16), seventeen (17), and eighteen (18) in block M. O'Neill and Hagerly's addition to O'Neill.

Twenty acres of land in Otoe County, Nebraska one half mile from Syracuse, Nebraska described as follows, Lot one (1) and six (6) of the northwest quarter of section twenty (20) in township twenty-eight (28) north of range eleven (11) and lots ten (10) and eleven (11) of the south half of the northeast quarter of section seventeen (17) in township twenty-eight (28) north of range eleven (11); this land is sold subject to a mortgage of five hundred dollars (\$500).

Sealed bids will be received up to the hour of ten o'clock A. M. on June 11 at which time the bids will be opened by O. F. Biglin, receiver of the Elkhorn Valley Bank of O'Neill in the presence of a committee of three of the depositors in the office of the Fidelity Bank at O'Neill, Nebraska. The receiver reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

O. F. BIGLIN, Receiver of the Elkhorn Valley Bank of O'Neill.

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Very Low Rates to Des Moines, Iowa.
Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold on six dates, May 14, 15, 19, 21, 23, limited to return until May 30, inclusive, on account of general Assembly, Presbyterian Church. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

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Via the North-Western Line, will be sold at reduced rates May 23 and 24, limited to return until May 25, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

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