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That was wrote long before the war, but it has particular reference to the United States government of today.
Every man — an honest man — and "an honest man" is the noblest work of God — who carried a musket — came to the charge — and rushed on the enemies of the Union, and in so doing offered his life freely and patriotically as a sacrifice on the altar of freedom for the safety of the stars and stripes, — such a hero should be pensioned. There's do doubt about that.

The word "shame" should be branded on the cheek of every representative of the nation at Washington that won't immediately see that justice is shown to these veterans.
It is a living disgrace to any form of government to be dilly-dallying about this matter until those now living have passed to the spirit land with the brave souls whose bodies now lay in Southern graves — an unutterable memorial of bravery and noble deeds — to all the nations of the earth.

"The dead and absent are always wrong, the living and present are always right." That's what some of our senators think today in regard to their opinions in this subject. But a time will come when they too will go. The memories of those silent heroes "who are not dead but gone before" will live as an awakening reveille in the minds of every honest man until the "lie down" is sounded and their comrades join them to answer the last "roll call" in a place where all will be rewarded.

Meet boys and shake. Keep the wreath of glory green. You are fast passing away. "Leaf by leaf the roses fall," but their memory is sweet, and other lips and other hearts will recount their deeds of glory. "There may, perhaps, at such a time some recollection be" of "what might have been" done in the past to benefit those who sacrificed ties of kindred and left their homes and friends, leaving in many instances only one fervent kiss as a last sad memento of their departure to "fall on the field they'd won."

"While the sentinel stars set their watch in the sky, And thousands there laid on the ground overpowered, The weary to rest, and the wounded to die."
While from many a bosom was taken a "raven tress that was stained with their life stream shed," and they would maybe think as the blood gushed from gaping wounds, "but like a weary, wounded dove, that flutters to its nest, I fain would meet my own true love and die upon her breast."
"Though lost to right, they're to memory dear."

Elmwood.
Ed Jeary talks of moving to our town this spring.

B. & M. State Journal has a monopoly on blanks evidently.

W. H. Puddy has concluded to stay in Cass county.

The **K. of P.** are having their hall white-coated and otherwise improved.

Capt. Cremer's daughter, of David City, has been visiting the parental home the past week.

A petition will be presented to the county commissioners asking to incorporate our town.

S. D. Ellis has been quite sick the past ten days with erysipelas but is some better at present.

The public is getting out of patience with the **Omaha Bee**. Two monotonous "Rosy" is putting in too much time with his new hotel.

The **Echo** always gives the latest news. In one column last week it tells its readers that **J. W. Smith** would be here next week, in another column it had him in town this week.

Would Reed, of Weeping Water, like to go to the national convention? Where is **Arthur and Church Howe**. We think **O. Teft** is the person deserving the honor of going to the Chicago convention.

Deputy Sheriff Miller was in our streets last week looking after the lucky(?) juryman and others. The **Eagle** speaks of "boycotting" news in regard to something he pumped out of commissioner **Dickson**. How about the **Eagle** "boycotting" news when he left **Dickson's** name out of the ticket printed in the **Eagle** in 1896.

The A. O. U. W. Social.
From Friday's Daily.
The social last night given by the A. O. U. W. lodges of this city, was a grand success. The hall was filled with merry-making people, who indulged in card playing, amusing recreations, singing and social chat. The evening soon slipped away and it was late before all went home. Refreshments were served during the evening. This social has suggested the idea of quoting a little in connection with the order which will be found in another column.

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