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CASS LODGE No. 116, I. O. O. F., meets every Tuesday evening at each week. PLATTSMOUTH ENCAMPMENT No. 1, O. E. S., meets every alternate Friday in each month in the Masonic Hall. MCCONNIE POST 45, G. A. R., ROSTER: J. W. JOHNSON, Commander; F. A. BATES, Junior Vice; G. M. NILES, Senior Vice; HENRY STRICKLAND, Adjutant; MALON DIXON, Quartermaster; CHAS. FORD, Sergeant; ANTHONY E. FREY, Sergeant; JAMES DUNBAR, Sergeant; L. O. CURTIS, Post Chaplain.

THE POWER WITH THE PEOPLE.

They Alone Can Proceed Against the Pinkerton Police--The Governor cannot do it.

LINCOLN, Neb., May 21.—In conversation with Governor Thayer, he said: "My view is just this--that if the Pinkerton men are guilty of violation of law--if they are acting as officers without authority, the courts of Cass and Douglas counties must take cognizance of the matter. If they are committing offenses, any citizen of Cass county or of Douglas county can go before a magistrate and make complaint, and is his duty to do so. Then the Pinkerton men can be brought into court. That is the only course that can be pursued. I have no more authority to force them out of the state than has any other citizen. There seems to be a great deal of ignorance upon the part of some parties as to the power possessed by the governor. I can only act when the civil authorities are unable to protect life and property. Then and then alone can I call the military force of the state into action."

Sheriff Hamilton of York Dies Under the Knife.

York, Neb., May 20.—James H. Hamilton, the popular sheriff of York county, is dead. He died suddenly at his home in this city this morning under the most painful circumstances. He was in good health and was on the street in the early morning. At 11 o'clock he prepared to have an operation performed on a case of fistulous piles, from which he has been suffering for some time. Drs. Schilder and Davis were called to perform the operation, and gave the patient a dose of chloroform. The action of the drug caused paralysis of the heart, and in ten minutes this apparently strong, healthy man was a corpse. He had served the county in the office of sheriff for eight years, and was accounted the most successful officer in Nebraska. His death will be deplored all over Nebraska.

A Mysterious Shooting Affair.

AMHERST, Va., May 20.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, living near here, went off to a church meeting, leaving their son Henry, aged 6, in charge of three small children. When the parents returned they found their youth lying on the floor bathed in blood, and the children were more or less hurt, stooping around him. He was insensible, having been shot in the head and his skull fractured. He can not survive through the night. The three children, who can barely talk, said that a big black man came out of the woods and shot in the room at them. It seems a deliberate attempt to assassinate. From all that can be picked up from the frightened statements of the little children, the assassin did not quit until he was sure he had accomplished his work.

A Stranger Under a Train.

COLLEBUS, Neb., May 21.—A man who gave his name as William Cass, a German, age about thirty-five, late of St. Paul, Minn., was found this morning near the Union Pacific depot with one of his legs broken in two places. The amputation of the limb will be necessary. He was removed to St. Mary's hospital. While taking a free ride and being under the influence of liquor, he is supposed to have fallen under the train. He refused to account for the accident.

Importance of Owning Land.

There is something worth thinking about in the remarks of a Buffalonian returned from California: "Americans native born have no idea of the importance of owning land. They have let foreigners come here and buy hundreds of thousands of acres of land, and just because it was cheap the American citizen wouldn't have it. The result is that when the values rise, as in many cases out west, the foreigner was the one to profit by it. In San Francisco you will find a great many very wealthy Chinamen who own valuable blocks of stores and flats, and who are powerful competitors of the American merchants. The rich Chinaman can knock out the rich American when it comes to buying goods in China for export to this country, and so it goes. Every young native born American, of whatever parentage, should acquire at least some real property if he expects to keep up with the 'hard wagon' in the future."

Sick Folks in Florida.

Some of the sick ones who went to Florida last winter have returned, and are commenting upon the avalanche of cures that were recommended for their consideration. All the old timers at St. Augustine had books full of prescriptions that were warranted to cure anything, from a headache to patching a pair of goshoes. "My" said one of the returned patients, "if I had taken a hundredth part of the nostrums thrust upon me, I would have been in Cypress Hills months ago."--New York Sun.

Historian Parton's First Book.

James Parton is living in a quiet part of the picturesque old town of Newburyport. A writer in the Boston Post tells the story of how Parton, who was born in England sixty-six years ago, came to be the popular biographer of many eminent Americans: "One day, while he was employed on The New York Home Journal, he dined at a restaurant with Mason Brothers, publishers, and the talk turned upon books. Parton happened to say, 'What an interesting story could be made out of the life of Horace Greeley if a person could only get at the facts!' One of the publishers said, 'Why don't you do it?' The young man replied that it would require an expensive journey and a year of labor, and that he could not afford it. A few days later the firm agreed to advance the money requisite, and the book was thus assured. Parton went from house to house in New Hampshire and Vermont, making inquiries. Thirty thousand copies of the work were sold, which yielded the author \$2,000 above the cost of production. 'Upon that most insufficient capital,' the author said, 'I had the temerity to set up in business as a book maker.'--The Argonaut.

Had to Have a Wife.

ST. JOSEPH, May 21.—Robert Burns, a wealthy merchant of Gardner, Colo., advertised in a paper for a wife. He got six answers, and his choice, who lives in Lincoln, Ill., failed to show up. After waiting one week he married the second choice, who lives in St. Joseph now.

PRETENDING TO BE CRIPPLED.

A Class of Maligners Who Seek to Recover Damages from Railroads.

Of late years a new class of maligners has arisen. This is composed of the people who, when any accident happens to a railway train, steamboat or other conveyance owned by a corporation or rich person at which they are present as passengers, pretend that they have been seriously injured and forthwith bring suit against the proprietors in immense sums for damages. A smattering of medical knowledge is very soon acquired by these people during their examinations by their physicians, and they are thus often enabled to cut a pretty good figure before a jury. I do not think it is at all difficult to detect these impostors.

It is rarely the case that they are so consistent in their detail of alleged symptoms and in their conduct as to deceive a medical man thoroughly well skilled in his profession. Besides this, they generally overact their part in their efforts to deceive, and if subjected to close scrutiny for some considerable time, or at periods when they do not suspect that they are watched, scarcely ever fail to show themselves in their true colors.

Not long since I was applied to by a young man, who informed me that, about a month previously, in getting off a street railway car, he had been violently thrown to the ground, so that he had wrenched his back, had become partially paralyzed in both legs, and had, besides, sustained serious internal injuries. In addition to wanting my professional advice he desired an examination, with a special view of having me to testify before a court in a suit for \$20,000 damages, which he intended to institute against the railway company. I caused him to take off his clothes, and I found at once that there was no emaciation. On the contrary, his body was remarkably well nourished. He complained of pain in the upper region of the spine, and screamed in apparent agony when I slightly touched that part of his body. It seemed to me then that there was an unusual degree of sensitiveness, and not at all such as would have been developed had he been really injured in the way he described. The grasp of his hand was very weak, but at the same time his muscles were large and well formed.

I was satisfied even at the time that he was making the most of his condition, if not actually deceiving me. I next asked him to walk around the room until I told him to stop. At first he tottered over the floor as if about to fall at every step and complained of great pains in his legs. As he continued walking, however, I kept him in conversation, so as to divert his mind from himself. As a consequence he was thrown off his guard, as I expected he would be, so that after a half a dozen turns his gait was measurably improved, and at times was as good as it ever had been. Of course, if there had been any real paralysis, every step he took would have added to his lameness. Some other methods of examination with instruments of precision placed the fact of his fraudulent pretensions beyond a doubt. I then accused him of deception, and recapitulated to him the points which by his insufficient knowledge of the subject had led to his detection. After numerous protestations he confessed that he had been drilled by an attorney to simulate spinal injury with a view to defrauding the railway company.--Dr. William A. Hammond in Boston Globe.

Fires on a Steamboat.

I don't think there is a boat on the Mississippi river that is without all the best modern appliances for extinguishing fires, but when a fire breaks out on the boat there is nobody who knows how to handle the apparatus. Fighting fires is a science that it takes years of experience to acquire. Steamboat managers never seem to have thought of this, so their boats, when once on fire, are certain to be destroyed. One experienced fireman employed on each boat could drill the boat men and manage the fighting of a fire, so that it would be impossible for a steam boat to burn. A few years ago, when the city's harbor boat caught fire, we had to go down to the levee and put out the fire, although the harbor boat has on her lower deck the finest kind of apparatus for fighting fire.--Assistant Fire Chief in Globe Democrat.

The Pervasiveness of Lightning.

A correspondent of The Springfield Republican, describing the effects of a recent lightning stroke, says that "the ceiling of the room had been replastered the preceding spring, and the sand of this quality, which is used in mortar, is fer rugulous. Every metallic particle in the latter the fluid seemed to have found and detached, so as to give the plastered surface an appearance better described as pock marked than by any other words at my command."--Scientific American.

A farmer near Chebanse, Ill., having an ox that did not obey orders, concluded that the animal was deaf and bought an ear trumpet, which worked with great success. The animal had lost its appetite but with its return of hearing ate heartily. The ear trumpet is fastened in place by wires around one of the horns. The story is from a western paper, and no chronicle goes with it.

We know a wealthy merchant who keeps half a dozen horses, who recently stated that his store was closed on account of a "holiday," and we also know a poor reader who can spell every word in the English language correctly, and the only time he experiences any horse is when he eats horse radish.--New York Mail

NOTICE. We earnestly request all of our friends indebted to us to call at once and settle accounts due. We have sustained heavy loss by the destruction of our Branch House at Fairmont, Neb., by fire and now that we need money to meet our obligations, we hope there will not be one among our friends who would refuse to call promptly at this particular time and adjust accounts. Trusting this will receive your kind consideration and prompt attention, we remain, Yours Truly, SOLOLMON & NATHAN.

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The Fountain City Disaster.

PERMO, Colo., May 20.—On the day following the Fountain City explosion, President Strong, of the Santa Fe, passed through Fountain and viewed the damage. He at once determined that, notwithstanding the fact that the Santa Fe company was not liable for damage to property, the company would, so far as was in its power, relieve the people by paying all claims for damages. Claim Agent C. M. Foulkes was telegraphed to go to Fountain and settle claims. A committee of citizens was appointed, the damages were assessed, and today Mr. Foulkes paid every claim presented by the people of Fountain for damages, and the work of rebuilding has at once commenced. At a mass meeting of the citizens of Fountain today, preamble and resolutions were adopted thanking the Santa Fe Railroad Company for its liberal and fair payment of all claims which it was not compelled to pay, and requesting general publication of the fact. The exact amount of the claims for damages paid is not known, but it is estimated at at between \$5000 and \$6000.

Hail in Western Nebraska.

GRANT, Neb., May 20.—A very heavy rain storm swept over western Nebraska today. In the southern part of this county and the northern part of Chase considerable hail fell, damaging to a slight extent the early crops. THE HERALD can tell its readers that the desert theory is completely "submerged."

Storm in Nebraska.

CURTIS, Neb., May 20.—A terrific wind storm, accompanied by rain and some hail, swept over this place about 7 p. m. The storm was quite general and lasted for three hours, the rain falling in torrents. It is thought that it did considerable damage but no particulars as yet.

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