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PENSIONERS OF THE WAR OF 1812

There Are Still Thirteen of Them on the United States Pension Roll.

There are just thirteen actual survivors of the war of 1812 on the United States pension rolls, the oldest of whom is 104 years of age. One might suppose that the pensioners of the revolutionary war were long ago called to their reward, but such is not the case as fourteen are still found on the lists. Seven are widows and seven are children of the heroes of 1776. One widow married at the age of twenty-three, in 1836, to a revolutionary pensioner who was then eighty-six years of age. Two children were the result of the union, who are both living, and the widow draws a pension and is likely to do so for several years yet, unless cut down by disease, as she is said to carry her eighty-three years remarkably well. The pension list arising from the late war has reached its zenith, and is now on the decline.

Most of the veterans are grizzled and gray and the death roll from the brave boys who wore the blue is fast decimating the gallant band. Twenty-five years will see most of them called to their last reward and fifty years from now none but widows and orphans will be left to represent them.

THEY MOVED HER OUT.

Some of the Young Bloods Create a Rough House at Lulu Range's.

Lulu Range has filed complaint against fifteen boys who visited her place of abode at a late hour last night and tore up her furniture and moved it all out in the street, beside using loud and boisterous language. Lulu may not be an angel in disguise, but she has some rights which she proposes the court shall protect. An effort is being made to fix matters up without an airing in the police court, as some of the young men do not care for that sort of an advertisement.

Unfortunate Mrs. Danliver.

The widow of Jerry Danliver, jr., who came in here unattended a few nights ago, is found to be clearly insane and promises to become a county charge. The board of commissioners have wired her brother who resides near Carson, Nevada, that if he will meet them half way they will take her to him and he can take care of her there, where it is claimed she has some property. She has had constant attention from the ladies of the Catholic church since her arrival, but it seems an imposition that she should be sent here to live on strangers. She will be taken out to the poor farm this afternoon and cared for until arrangements can be perfected to send her home.

A Break For Liberty.

One hundred boys at the Kearney Industrial school made a break for liberty last evening after supper, and twenty-five of them succeeded in getting away. The others were held in by the keeper drawing a revolver. Telegrams were sent in all directions, and by midnight all but fifteen had been captured, among whom was the leader, a well-known Plattsmouth boy. This is the first outbreak that has occurred, and some sort of punishment no doubt will follow or the insubordination will not be quelled.

Woman's Relief Corps Election.

At the meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps Saturday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Mrs. J. H. Thrasher.
Senior Vice President—Mrs. Val Burkel.
Junior Vice President—Mrs. Warden.

Conductor—Mrs. McElwain.
Chaplain—Mrs. B. C. Kerr.
Treasurer—Mrs. Joe Lake.

Lost a Hand and Foot

A C. B. & Q. train man named Oider, well known here, had the misfortune to fall under the wheels at Cromwell, Ia., last night and lost one foot and one hand by the merciless car wheels. Mr. Oider used to run through here and had several friends who will regret his misfortune, from which it is not certain that he will recover.

Another Accident.

N. W. Kaneff, day watchman at the Rock Island bridge at South Bend, fell from the bridge on the ice last Tuesday and broke two ribs. He lay on the ice where he fell in an unconscious condition for almost an hour before he was found. He is yet in a very critical condition and it will be some time before he will be able to work again.—Louisville Courier.

Meeting of the Agricultural Society.

The Cass County Agricultural society met at Superintendent Farley's office this afternoon. After discussion of several matters an adjournment was taken without electing officers to the first Saturday in February, at the same office at 2 p. m.

Bridge Will Be Built.

John Albert was in town today and he assures us that the bridge across the Platte at Cedar Creek will be built. He says parties are at work raising money in Sarpy county and are having good success.

Dry wood taken on subscription at THE NEWS office.

Argentina Ants.

A common way of destroying the ants in Argentina is by means of a small metal cylindrical furnace half filled with any kind of dry, inflammable rubbish, and in the top a pan suspended containing flowers of sulphur. When lighted, a lid is screwed down over this, so that the smoke can only issue from a bent metal tube, which conducts it to the ant hole. A pair of bellows, worked by a handle, is attached to the lower part of the furnace, thus making the fire burn and forcing the sulphurous smoke along the ant passages. The whole apparatus is suspended on wheels and can thereby be conveniently moved from part to part of the quinta. With this instrument such volumes of suffocating smoke can soon be produced that it will often be issuing thickly from holes 200 or 300 yards distant. So you may imagine the ants have a somewhat lively time of it—or, perhaps, rather, a deadly one.

In spite, however, of waging war against them they multiply so rapidly that it is only where the gardeners fight them very energetically that they can be kept down, and the amount of damage they do is often appalling. When up country, on the border of the Grand Chaco, where, of course, these insects work their own sweet will, they were once discovered a deserted wooden hut, incantiously leaning against the structure, he was surprised to see the whole of it collapse. But on examination he found the reason to be that every portion of the woodwork had been perforated and undermined by the ants, and only required a very slight touch to crumble into ruins. The intruders of the ants had probably been the cause of abandoning the hut.—Temple Bar.

Carlyle Reproved.

An amusing and characteristic anecdote of Thomas Carlyle is given in Mrs. Ross' "Early Days Recalled." Mrs. Ross, the daughter of Sir Alexander and Lady Duff Gordon, enjoyed from her earliest years the privilege of meeting many distinguished persons under delightful conditions. Her mother's beauty and wit, as well as her father's social and official rank, attracted men and women eminent in art, letters and politics to their home. The only visitor whom little Janet cordially disliked was Mr. Thomas Carlyle. She says:

One afternoon my mother had a discussion with him on German literature. Her extraordinary eloquence and fire prevailing, Carlyle lost his temper and burst forth in his Scotch tongue, "You're just a windbag, Lucie; you're just a windbag!"

I had been listening with all my ears, and, conceiving him to be very rude, interpreted him by saying, "My papa always says men should be civil to women," for which remark I got a scolding from my mother, but Mr. Carlyle was not offended, and, turning to her observed, "Lucie, that child of yours has an eye for an inference."

Bogus Diamonds.

Some curious stories can be told about the thousands of false diamonds sold yearly in London. As a working goldsmith I have seen a good deal of the trade in imitation stones. People of all ranks buy them. A nobleman is in immediate want of cash and must find it somewhere. He will perhaps turn to his family diamonds. Possibly \$40,000 could be raised upon them. He takes the jewelry off to the false diamond provider, has the real stones removed and the false ones put in and deposits the actual gems with some one as a security for a loan. No one is a bit the wiser. His wife appears in her jewels just the same as usual. If she dies, her husband would be made bankrupt by his creditors the next week. A large amount of business is done in this way, and you may depend upon it that the false diamond merchant has many a chuckle when he reads in his paper about Lady So-and-so's "magnificent diamond bracelet" and the Countess Baracore's "superb tiara."—Ashton Reporter.

A Story of Crisp.

Here is a little story of the late Charles Frederick Crisp: In one of the counties of his district there was a little weekly newspaper to which he faithfully subscribed. When he would come home from Washington, he always sought the editor and demanded to know if his subscription had not expired. On one of these occasions, meeting with the editor, he handed him a \$5 bill, saying:

"I have missed three issues of my paper, and I am sure I must be in arrears. Take that and call it square."

"But," said the editor, "the paper is only a year, and your subscription won't be out until January."

"That's all right," replied Crisp, "but you keep the money." And then in a whisper, "I never saw an editor yet that didn't need it."—Atlanta Constitution.

What the Sun Could Do.

The astronomers have been figuring on the amount of heat and light that our sun is constantly emitting. It is shown by this wonderful table of figures that our sun constantly receives as much sunshine as would illuminate 50,000,000 square miles of flat surface. Even this vast quantity is as nothing, for, of course, our earth only receives that which happens to fall on the side next to the sun. If there were 2,380,000,000 worlds strung around the sun, they would form a shell of spheres, with the sun in the center, and each would receive daily and hourly the same amount of sunshine that we enjoy.—St. Louis Republic.

A Toothless Emperor.

Jaroslav I of Russia had no teeth, having lost the valuable adjuncts to happiness by a blow from a Turkish mace. An English traveler in his country says it was commonly reported that the king's chewing was done by the queen, who masticated all the royal food and transferred it from her mouth to his majesty's with a spoon.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

The Columbus Journal says that Don Benson had found a flock of geese down among the trees at the river with their wings so coated with ice that it was an impossibility for them to fly, and so he headed them together and drove them up to his premises.

As a debater, James J. Corbett is undoubtedly entitled to the first place in an all round argument with Fitzsimmons or any of the pugilistic crowd. He is evidently possessed of great discretion, however, as is shown by the fact that he continues to fall in his herculean efforts to meet Fitzsimmons in the ring. It seems to be a case of "heap talk but not much fight."

The average majority of the Bryan electors in Nebraska is found to be 13,000, which is only a little over half the majority received by Holcomb. Holcomb should be the presidential nominee next time.

The Morton house at Nebraska City was opened up in good style a few days ago, but as one of the papers there states, the new manager refused to use any printer's ink, and the result was few people knew of the hotel being reopened, and yesterday it was closed on a chattel mortgage. Certainly a very short lived affair.

The ministers of Lincoln through the columns of the best paper in Nebraska, the State Journal, discussed yesterday the wisdom of Solomon, and all agreed that he was the wisest man of his time, if not of all times. No mention was made, however, as to the amount of wisdom shown in taking over 300 wives. The Lincoln ecclesiastics should have given the public a dissertation, on this topic as it might have been of general interest.

Bixby says it is worth coming to Nebraska to see the sun shine and hear the pops sing.

According to last account Chairman Hanna had been secretary of the treasury, secretary of the navy, minister to England, postmaster general and czar of all the Americans. Mark just now seems to be having more fun than anybody.

The Nebraska distillery at Nebraska City, it is said, will be sold under the hammer on Wednesday. It is good news for our neighbor as it may mean a resumption of business that could not be hoped for while it remained in the hands of the trust.

Mrs. A. Rouse, of Omaha, attempted to take what she thought was cough syrup, but instead took a dose of a preparation used in debauching cattle. The woman discovered her mistake before swallowing any of the poisonous stuff, very fortunately, and with the exception of a badly burned mouth she was uninjured.

Hon. John C. Watson has already formulated plans, by the aid of Architect Vass of Omaha, for the erection of another residence. John is loyal to Nebraska City and will continue to reside there.

Jim Caldwell will be deputy county attorney under T. E. Manger at Lincoln. Mr. Caldwell's friends down this way are glad to learn of his preferment.

Loyal Mystic Legion Entertainment. The Loyal Mystic Legion are getting up an entertainment with quite an extended program for Thursday evening December 10 at Whites opera house. The proceeds will go to the unfortunate poor who are in need of assistance. The object is so worthy and such an effort is being made to give a good entertainment that success is already assured. Admission 25 cents which includes refreshments. Tickets are on sale at Gering's.

Herkschire Hogs.

I have for sale thirty-five head thoroughbred herkschire hogs of either sex some brood sows that will farrow in October. Prices to suit the times. At the head of this herd is a grand son of "Stumpy Duke" who is said to have taken more premiums than any hog in the world. Call on or address, JOHN F. POLK, Greenwood, Neb.

Badly Mangled.

If you might get sick, or if you might get hurt, or if you think you might die in a matter purely of a human consideration. You might be a member of a fraternal organization that will pay you a stated sum in case of sickness or death, but H. D. Barr represents an organization that will pay you from \$7 to \$25 weekly in case of accident; from \$7 to \$15 per week in case of sick ness, and will also give \$100 as a funeral benefit. For full particulars call on Mr. Barr, who can be found at M. S. Briggs' office on Main street any day. If you are not going to be sick or suffer an accident, of course this does not mean you. Wisdom is safety. The fees are too small to mention for the risk.

Dr. L. F. Polk of Raymond came down last evening to attend his brother, C. S., who is much better today. He returned to Lincoln this morning.

A Real Bargain.

"Dear," she said, and her sweetest and most engaging smile illumined her face, "if you had a handsome lap robe, could you use it?"

"Certainly not," he replied. "You know very well that we haven't a vehicle of any description."

"That's what I thought," she returned, "so I have packed it away. Later, when we are wealthy and keep horses, 'a car'."

"Packed it away!" he exclaimed, interrupting her. "Packed what away?"

"Why, the lap robe," she answered sweetly.

"But we haven't a lap robe," he protested.

"Oh, yes, we have," she returned. "It happened to stumble into that department of one of the big stores today, and they had marked them down so low that I felt I ought to get one of them before the opportunity slipped away."

"But we don't need it!"

"Not now, but we may," she interrupted. "It's just as well to get these things when they can be had at a bargain, and this was a real bargain. You men are very thoughtless about such things. You would never have thought of buying this robe now. You wouldn't have the foresight, but would have waited until you had a horse, and then, very likely, you would have to pay a dollar more for it."—Mercantile Journal.

Photography Beats the Fakirs.

The Indian "mango" trick, in which a plant is seen to grow up from the seed in a few minutes, has been done in a new way by M. Michael Corday of the Ecole Polytechnique in France. M. Corday employs the well known cinematograph, or apparatus for producing "living photographs"—that is to say, photographic images endowed with movement and apparently with life. A rose plant is photographed at intervals during its growth until the flower buds and blooms. The photographs thus taken are combined by the cinematograph and projected on a screen, so as to represent the development of the plant in a short time. The number of photographs in six months should be equal to the number which the sensitive band of the cinematograph will continue. Obviously the same plan will be able to show the changing aspects of the country during the seasons in one progressive illusion, and we venture to suggest that it might be employed with advantage in illustrating various scientific experiments and natural processes of an evolutionary or gradual sort.—London Globe.

Two Pistols and a Bowie In One.

Chief of Police Keefe has in his possession probably the most unique weapon ever seen in the city of Jacksonville. It is a combination double barreled pistol and bowie and was used in Missouri by a "regulator" when that state was going through the throes of the pro and anti slavery discussion.

The blade of the bowie is about 12 inches long and protrudes from a hilt between two small pistol barrels, each about 6 inches long. The hilt and the barrels are one and the same. When the hilt is cocked into position, two triggers, concealed in the stock, come forth, and then the weapon is ready for business, with both barrels and 12 inches of cold steel.

A number of men, it is said, belonging to one organization in Missouri, were armed with these weapons, which were secured direct from Paris. This one in particular seems to be almost new.—Florida Times-Union.

Dashed.

Friend—I say, Danb, I suppose you heard about our house being broken into the other night?

Artist—No, I hadn't heard. Did they take much?

Friend—A couple of watches, some silver, a suit of clothes, and it's a funny thing, but you know that picture you painted me. They cut it out of the frame, and—

Artist (interrupting excitedly)—By Jupiter, old man, you don't say so. Why, my fortune's made. Yes!

Friend—And nipped off with the frame, the hogges.

Artist—Ah, did they? It's rather funny, isn't it? Good day.

Friend—Good day.—Pearson's Weekly.

What to Eat.

The carpenter, hardback; the watchmaker, minute padding; the printer, pi; the wheelman, minks; the upholsterer, stuffing; the plumber, long billed snipe; the blacksmith, hammered steak; the banker, golden pheasant; the ballroomist, angel food; the clown, capers; the glove-maker, lady fingers; the shoemaker, soles; the political speaker, his own words; the bumner, swallows; the carman, crabs; the tramp, any old thing.—Up to Date.

The Four Leaf Clover.

The four leaf clover has been considered both in England, Ireland and America as a lucky "find," the accidental lighting upon one being regarded as foretelling some good fortune to the finder. In some parts of Ireland the presentation of a four leaf clover by a young man to a young woman is considered equivalent to "popping the question."

His Fugly Little Way.

Clara—He has such a funny little way of kissing me on the back of the neck.

Maudie—Well, you know he can't see your face from there.—Taggart's Times.

Real Modesty.

"Wonder why old Skinner's funeral was private?"

"Family didn't have enough grief to make a good display, I guess."—Detroit News.

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FOR SALE—A good milk cow, part Jersey. Enquire of Ed. Oliver.

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San Francisco points East and
All points west. South.

TIME TABLE

PLATTSMOUTH, NEB.

No. 23. Local express, daily, St. Joe, Kansas, St. Louis, all points south. 9:40 am

No. 4. Local exp. daily, Burlington, Chicago, all points east. 10:35 am

No. 10. Local exp. daily except Sunday, Pacific Junction. 11:55 am

No. 92. Local exp. daily except Sunday, Pacific Junction. 12:28 pm

No. 30. Freight, daily except Sunday, Pacific Junction. 2:50 pm

No. 2. Vestibule exp. daily, Burlington, Chicago and all points east. 5:31 pm

No. 12. Local exp. daily, St. Joe, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago all points east and south. 8:25 pm

No. 78. Freight, daily, from Omaha to Pac. Junction, by Omaha. 9:15 pm

No. 5. Local exp. daily, Omaha, Lincoln, Denver and intermediate stations. 7:32 am

No. 24. Local freight, daily, Omaha, Lincoln, Denver and intermediate stations. 8:50 am

No. 7. Fast mail, daily, Omaha and Lincoln. 7:47 am

No. 3. Vestibule exp. daily, Burlington, Chicago and all points in Colorado, Utah and California. 7:48 pm

No. 9. Local exp. daily except Sunday, Louisville, Ashland, Wash. Schuyler. 3:43 pm

No. 11. Local exp. daily except Sunday, Omaha and Lincoln. 5:27 pm

No. 17. Local express, Sunday only, Omaha. 9:45 pm

No. 73. Freight, daily, from Lincoln to Pacific Junction. 10:42 pm

No. 122. Local freight. 5:30 a. m.

No. 10. 3:58 p. m.

W. L. PICKETT, Agent, Plattsmouth, Neb.

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M. P. TIME CARD.

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

No. 1. 4:50 a. m.

No. 121. Local freight. 1:51 a. m.

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

No. 2. 10:42 p. m.

No. 122. Local freight. 5:30 a. m.

No. 10. 3:58 p. m.

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