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## LOST A PORTION OF HIS RIGHT EAR.

### Guy McMaken Has a Narrow Escape From a Serious Accident.

While Out After the Festive Cotton Tail His Shot Gun Is Accidentally Discharged and the Contents Passed Through the Clothing and His Right Ear—Other Interesting News Items.

Yesterday being quite a "likely" day, in the estimation of Guy McMaken, for slaying game, and having heard of the prowess of his father in that line while in the Black Hills recently, he and a companion thought to go out and try their luck. They had walked several miles, having been on the track of a wolf, when Guy became weary and set his gun down by his side, a in soldier, and took a rest. He was carrying a Spencer pump gun and they are very easily discharged, and the gun being cocked, when he went to raise it up the trigger caught on a bush and the contents of the gun went whizzing along his side. The shot passed through all of his clothing and went so close as to even burn the skin and passed up through the ear and the rim of his hat. The upper part of his ear was quite badly cut, it requiring several stitches to dress the wound. After this experience he did not look any further for the wolf, but went home where the services of Dr. Cook soon fixed the young huntsman out all right.

It was a narrow escape for him. If the charge had been a quarter of an inch closer it would have caused instant death. In the future he will probably use great care to prevent a repetition of this unpleasant experience.

### WAS A RARE TREAT.

Ottumwa Quartet at the Presbyterian Church Highly Enjoyed.

The Ottumwa quartet of Chicago gave their concert at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening and quite a good crowd was in attendance, but not so good a one as the singers merited. They were without a doubt the best company of singers Plattsmouth people ever had the pleasure of hearing. That the audience was highly pleased with them was evidenced by the fact that after each number they were called back, and the program as distributed in the audience was only half as long as the one rendered.

Miss Ora Lavin Haynes, a young lady of rare elocutionary ability, is with the company and recited several selections, and no less enthusiasm was demonstrated by the audience in her renditions than those of the singers'. In an extra number at the close Miss Haynes participated and she seemed to be quite as much at home in that sphere as in her elocutionary performances. Miss Haynes has a bright future before her.

The concert was given for the benefit of the Presbyterian choir and quite a neat sum was realized.

Should the "Ottumwa" ever visit this city again it would not require very much advertising to get them a good crowd. They went from here to Council Bluffs, where they will sing tonight.

### Were Nicely Entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Pickett entertained a party of their young married friends at their pleasant home on Vine street last evening. Their guest, Miss Odell, favored the company with music, while social converse and high five made short the evening hours. Elaborate refreshments were served on a table resplendent with hand painted china and handsome glass and silver ware.

The table decorations were roses, and the viands were all that could be desired. The guests were delighted with the charming hospitality of the hostess, and report an evening of rare social enjoyment.

### Were Married Today.

Judge Archer withdrew his objections this morning and his daughter was at once united in marriage with Jack Britton, Judge Spurlock officiating. It was rather short notice, but the bride and groom walked out of the court house together as happy as clams.

Robert Lyons returned the first of the week from his prospecting tour in the Big Horn mountains and may go to Chicago before returning there. He arrived here wearing three woolen shirts and a heavy ulster. The outlook for his mining property is very promising and he is more than satisfied with it.—Havelock Times.

### Meeting of the Depositors.

The depositors of the Citizens Bank met today, but nothing special was done. The indications for the payment of a good dividend at an early date are quite flattering. It will be shown when the Bank is finally wound up that its affairs have been managed with signal ability and care.

### Death of Mrs. Hull.

Mrs. W. W. Hull, after months of patient suffering, departed this life at 10:30 yesterday morning. The funeral will take place from the family residence on Wintersteen hill at 10 a. m. Tuesday, December 22. An obituary notice of the deceased will be printed tomorrow.

# THE LAST CALL FOR X-MAS

YOU SHOULD DO YOUR CHRISTMAS BUYING WHEN THERE IS A FULL STOCK. DOVEY'S HAVE

## A Car Load of Very Useful Gifts

HERE ARE SOME SPECIALS:

Special No. 1. We are agent for the Bissel Gold Medal carpet sweeper; regular price \$3.50; we will have them on sale this week for \$2.50. No. 2. We will have on sale for just this week our stock of Gent's Mufflers, prices cut in two; any muffler at half price. No. 3. Ladies' \$1 Kid Gloves go for 75c. No. 4. We have a counter full of Men's Slippers, always an acceptable gift, from 59c up.

### Ladies' Shopping Bags, Purses, Chataleine Bags, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Lace Collerettes, Etc

\*ELEGANT PARASOLS WITH DRESDEN HANDLES, SILK MITTENS\*

Beautiful Chenille and Tapestry Curtains and Table spreads, 99c and up. Full line of Rugs. Don't forget our Grocery department, where a nice line of Queensware and fancy Novelties in China and Lamps are displayed.

...PLENTY OF FRESH NUTS, CANDIES...

## E. G. DOVEY & SON, LEADING DRY GOODS MERCHANTS

### HE WAS A SMOOTH THIEF.

Dick Edwards Recognized At the Penitentiary As An Old Offender.

Deputy Sheriff Holloway took Dick Edwards, the convicted horse thief, to the penitentiary yesterday to begin serving out his sentence.

He had no sooner arrived at the pen than the officers smiled as they recognized an old offender who had already served a term in that institution. Mr. Holloway at once enquired about the fellow's history and learned that his name was not Dick Edwards but was Edward Dickey and that he had served out a two years sentence for stealing a team up in Washington county. Had more been known of the fellow's record he would have no doubt gotten a longer sentence here. However there are two more charges against him, and as soon as he does penance for his Cass county thievery he will be taken up on the others, which will doubtless give him ten or twelve more years in the pen. He may stay there long enough to lose his admiration for other peoples horses and be able to settle down to hard work.

### President Home Again.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The president returned to the white house at 8 o'clock this morning and attended church a little later with Mrs. Cleveland. He appeared much benefited by his outing and brought back numerous ducks which he had shot, to be distributed among the members of his cabinet and his personal friends. Secretary Thurber called to see him and spent some time telling him of events that had occurred during his absence, but no official business was taken up, and it is not believed that the president feels called upon to add anything to the Cuban controversy at present.

During the day Secretary Olney made his appearance at the executive mansion and had a brief consultation with the president, and while there is no official guarantee for the assertion, it is not to be questioned that their conversation referred almost solely to the latest phase in the Cuban situation.

### The Trocha.

The word trocha is of such frequent occurrence in dispatches and news from Havana that it seems likely in time to become incorporated into the English speech, says the Baltimore Sun. An explanation having been asked of the term, which is pronounced trocha with the accent on the first syllable, it may be stated that originally it denotes a footpath, pathway, or sometimes, a short cut. During the present unpleasantness its significance has been applied to a fortified high road.

### THE CUBAN QUESTION.

Missouri Senator Looks For a Declaration of War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Senator Vest believes that the result of the acknowledgement of Cuba's independence will be war with Spain and the acquisition of the island by the United States.

"The situation is serious," he said. "Spain will naturally construe the adoption of the resolution as a declaration of war, although that is not exactly strictly true. We can recognize the independence of Cuba without committing ourselves to protect and sustain the new government. It will not be necessary for the United States to send troops to uphold the government we propose to recognize, and we assume no responsibility in addition to what we have. I realize that it will be more difficult under the new conditions for us to maintain our neutrality in dealing with Spain. There are persons ready to invest their capital in Cuba, and they will not hesitate to sell the Cubans arms and supplies, which they are now restricted from doing under our neutrality laws."

Proceeding to speak of the strength of public sympathy with Cuba, the senator said: "The people of the United States are naturally brave, courageous and sympathetic. Cuba lies at our very door and the reports of murders, butcheries and suffering, whether exaggerated or not, have so inflamed our people that they demand fair play for the people on that island. Secretary Olney, whom everyone recognizes as an able lawyer and a statesman, naturally prefers to resort to diplomacy in dealing with the question. All the American people are not statesmen, and their sympathies having been aroused, they take the ground that the Cubans have the same right to fight for their independence that we had. Public sentiment is irresistible when it takes the form of organizing recruiting stations all over the country, and those who are not actuated by patriotic motives will not be slow to take advantage of the momentary considerations that naturally enter into the case."

Resolved, That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of our Lodge and published in the city papers, and a copy of the same be sent to the bereaved family.

F. H. STEINER.  
E. W. FITZ.  
C. S. FORBES,  
Committee.

### A Music Club.

The Mozart club held a very interesting meeting last Monday evening at the home of Miss Beulah Elean. The current topic department was very ably conducted by Miss Clara Street. The musical history lesson was given by Miss Cargny which was very much enjoyed by all present.

It being the meeting of the musical department, the following program, prepared by the leader of the department, Miss Kauble, was given:  
Piano—"Last Hope".....Godard  
Song—"Slumber Long".....Newcomb  
Piano—"Chant du Voyageur".....Paderewski  
Song—"Mignon".....Lynes  
Mayne Sullivan—Accompanist, Miss Kessler.

### Take Notice.

We are now prepared for taking in horses and colts for pasturing by the month.  
WM. AND A. A. WETENKAMP.

### Take off the Horns.

The undersigned is now ready with a good portable chute and tools, to remove the weapons of horned cattle at ten cents per head. It never gets too cold to dehorn cattle. Any time after fly-time, until the first week in April is the right time. After that it is too late. If those who wish to have such work done will address me at Rock Bluffs, Neb., they will be promptly answered.

S. L. FURLONG.

### Legal Notice.

In the district court of Cass county, Nebraska. In the matter of the estate of David W. Miller, deceased.

This cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Mason E. Miller, administrator of the estate of David W. Miller, deceased, praying for a license to sell the south half of lot five in the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty, township twelve, range nine, east of the 9th P. M., containing one hundred acres, or a sufficient amount to realize the sum of fourteen hundred and fifty-nine dollars and the costs of administering said estate for the payment of debts and expenses of administration of said estate, there not being sufficient personal property to pay said debts and expenses.

From the petition I find the persons interested in said estate are Mary J. Miller, widow of the deceased, Harvey C. Miller and Louisa Miller, his wife, Alice Wood and Charles F. Wood, her husband, and Gary D. Miller. It is therefore, ordered by me that the said persons above named and all others interested in said estate appear before me at chambers at my office in Plattsmouth, Neb., on the 6th day of February, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m. to show cause why a license should not be granted to said administrator to sell so much of said real estate as shall be necessary to pay said debts and expenses. That a copy of this order be published for four successive weeks before such hearing in the Semi-Weekly News-Herald.

Dated at Plattsmouth, in Cass County, this 21st day of December, 1896.

BASIL S. RAMSEY,  
Judge of the District Court.

### Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued by George E. Houseworth, clerk of the district court, within and for Cass county, Nebraska, and to me directed, I will on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1897, at 11 o'clock a. m. of said day, at the south door of the court house in the city of Plattsmouth, in said county, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following lands and tenements, to-wit: Lots numbered seven (7) and eight (8) in block fourteen (14) in South Fork addition to the city of Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, together with the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining. The same being levied upon and taken as the property of Martha E. Sauter and Phillip Sauter, defendants, to satisfy a judgment of said court recovered by The Livingston Loan and Building Association, plaintiff against said defendants.

Plattsmouth, Nebraska, Dec. 22, A. D. 1896.  
HARVEY HOLLOWAY,  
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Plattsmouth, Nebraska, December 22, A. D. 1896.  
HARVEY HOLLOWAY,  
Sheriff, Cass county, Nebraska.

### Wanted to Buy.

Eighty acres improved land near Plattsmouth.

T. H. POLLOCK.

### Death of An Infant.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Hall were called upon this morning to mourn the loss of their son, Wilber Leroy, aged fifteen months, after a brief illness with pneumonia. Their many friends extend sincere sympathy to them in their bereavement. The funeral will take place from the M. E. church Wednesday at 2 p. m., Rev. F. A. Campbell officiating.

## Merry Christmas.

Bang up boomlets for hubby and brother and the other "feller."

There is no pleasure so sweet, so satisfying, as the pleasure of making others happy, and especially of doing the right thing by those we love the best. The heart reaches out after those at Christmas time and would enshrine all within its holy precincts. WESCOTT & SON are doing what they can to make happy the auspicious event of merry Christmas. Practical presents, appreciative apparel, good gifts--something to last and wear and be a continual joy. Warm Gloves and Mittens, with hot, July lining. Night Shirts to make you dream of fairy land. New Neckwear too lovely to describe. Mufflers too sweet for anything. Collars and Cuffs. The latest and best of everything in clothing, all at prices to correspond with corn at 13 cents per bushel. We shall delight in serving you with the best grades, the latest styles, the up-to-date stuff in our line.

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PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA.

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