



We Wish You All A Very Happy New Year

If you were a patron of this store during 1902, we are glad of it. We trust you were well pleased with our goods. If you were—tell others—if for any reason you were not—tell us. If you have not traded with us, we cordially invite you to come in and inspect our superb stock of Men's and Boy's Wearables. If you come now, you'll find some especially attractive offerings of reasonable goods to clean up stock. Our motto for the new year will continue to be "one price and no monkey business."

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**LOCAL BREVITIES.**

Dr. Frank L. Cummins, dentist, Office with Dr. E. D. Cummins.

Guy C. Harris, chief clerk in the master mechanic's office at Havelock, visited here Sunday.

H. C. McMaken began putting up ice this week. It is said the crop is just ripe for preservation.

After spending Christmas here with his mother, Frank Beeson departed Monday evening for his home in Creston, Iowa.

Ernest Wells and family, of Columbus, Neb., who visited several days in Plattsmouth, returned to their home Monday.

George C. Hawkins, of the B. & M. shops at Havelock was made happy by the arrival of his family at that place Tuesday.

J. A. Walker and wife, of Murray, spent Tuesday evening with Hon. J. M. Patterson, which was highly appreciated by that gentleman.

Merritt Kerr, an employe of the Burlington at St. Joe, who was here spending a portion of the holidays, returned to that city Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Becker, who have been spending the holiday with Plattsmouth relatives, returned Tuesday to their home in Riceville, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Coleman and little son departed Monday evening for their home in Chicago, after a few days visit with their parents here.

It's time for you to look about for lockets or for rings. Some perfume bottles of cut glass and many other things. It fills your heart with hope and constant pride. To please the maid whom you intend to make your happy bride.

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Schlater accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tighe to their home in Wabash, Friday morning, where they will visit for about two weeks.

Two suspects were arrested Monday supposed to have stolen an overcoat from the Plattsmouth House, and other articles, but no evidence could be procured and they were allowed to go their way, and they went.

When the census enumerators made their rounds they found in the United States 967 boys under 15 years of age, who were married. There were 3,785 married girls under 15 years old. The infant widowers under 15 numbered 23, and the infant widows 126, while there were 7 divorced boys and 30 divorced girls under 15.

If everybody would pay what they owe on the first of the month quite a sum of money would be in circulation. The way to keep business going is for everybody to pay their debts, and in this manner a small amount of money goes a long way. Pay your debts the first of each month and you will be happy, not to mention how your creditors will enjoy themselves.

Judge A. L. Sprague, of Buffalo Gap, South Dakota, made a short visit with friends in this city last week. Judge Sprague, years ago, was one of the leading attorneys of Plattsmouth, being associated at the Bar with such old, distinguished lawyers as Maxwell, Marquette, Pottinger, Chapman, and Smith, of Plattsmouth, and Woolworth, Wakely, Cowan, Poppleton, Lake, of Omaha. Judge Sprague was returning from a visit with his sons in New Mexico, where they are extensive and successful contractors.

The Journal is pleased to acknowledge a most agreeable call by Hon. Joseph C. Gilmore, of Haigler, Dundy County, Nebraska. Mr. Gilmore, for many years was a leading citizen of Cass county, and owning one of the finest farms in Eight Mile Grove precinct. About twelve years ago he sold his farm and located in Dundy county, where he engaged in the cattle industry, and now owns one of the finest ranches in Southwestern Nebraska—several hundred acres and a large number of cattle and sheep. Mr. Gilmore, while a citizen of Cass county, was twice a member of the legislature—1867 and 1887. He was also chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee for a number of years, and as such showed great skill in successfully managing the Democratic campaign.

Be sure and date your letter 1903. Miss Ella Clark visited in Omaha Tuesday.

Gone glimmering among the things that were, Old 1902.

Attorney D. O. Dwyar was in Lincoln Tuesday on legal business.

R. D. Franz and family, spent Christmas with relatives in Union.

James Patterson departed Tuesday morning on a business trip to Arlington, Nebraska.

Take your next prescription to Gerling & Co. and have it filled. See what you will save. Your doctor won't object. Try it and see.

If a man loves a maid, that's his business; if a maid loves a man, that's her business; if they get married, that's their business; if they need fine wedding stationery, or any other kind of printing, that's the Journal's business.

A maiden fair, with sun-kissed hair, came tripping down Main street; her face serene, her age 16—gee whiz, but she was sweet. On the sidewalk slick she came down quick, with a jolt that shook her curls, but the words she used, must be excused—for she's one of Plattsmouth's nicest girls.

A babe is the prince of wails, a laplander, the morning caller, noonday crawler, midnight brawler; the only precious possession that ever excites envy: a key that opens the heart of all classes rich or poor alike in all countries; a stranger with unspeakable cheek, enters the house without a stitch on its back and is received with open arms by everyone.

Noah was one of the earliest advertisers. He advertised that he would sail on a certain day. Those who do not believe in advertising failed to get tickets and were left out in the cold without any umbrellas or bathing suits.

As most of them could not swim they took to the trees and became monkeys. The origin of the monkey is now settled. This is a Christmas story told for the benefit of those who try to do business without advertising.

Now the frost is on the window and the kitchen pail is froze, and the little icy needles come from every breath that blows, now the chilblains make us sick and faint and cold feet give us pain, it's safe to say that most people wish for summer days again. For while we sweat and pined around in gauzy summer clothes, it was easy enough to get cooled off, as everybody knows; but it is different now when the world is full of ice, and the weather is as hard to beat as a pair of loaded dice. We may talk about the climate, and about our spring and fall, but the balmy days of summer are the days that suits us all.

We have read of Maud on a summer day, who raked barefoot the new mown hay. We have read of the maid in the early morn, who milked the cow with crumpled horn. And we've read the lay that poets sing of the rustling corn and the flowers of spring. But of all the lays of tongue or pen there is no lay like the lays of the sand hills hen. Long, long before Maude rakes her hay, the sand hills hen begins to lay; and ere the milk maids stir a peg the hen is up and has dropped her egg.

The corn must rustle and the flowers must spring if they keep up with the barnyard king. If Maude is in need of a hat or gown she need not take her hay to town, but she goes to the store to obtain her suit with a basketful of fresh hen fruit. If the milkmaid's pail makes a Sunday call doesn't feed him on milk at all; but works up eggs in a custard pie, and stuffs him full of chicken fry. And when the old man wants a horn does he haul to the druggist a load of corn? Not much; he simply robs a nest, to town he goes—you know the rest. Here he lingers and talks, perchance, of true reform and correct finance; while his good wife stays at home and scowls, but is saved from want by those self-same fowls, and while the husband is lingering there, she watches the cackling hen with care, and gathers the eggs, and the eggs she'll hide, till she gathers enough to stem the tide. Then hail! all hail to the sand hills hen, the greatest blessing of all men. Throw up your hat and make Rome howl for the persevering barnyard fowl! Corn may be king, but it's plain to be seen that the sand hills hen is Nebraska's queen.

**Annual Banquet.**

The Masonic fraternity of this city held their annual banquet on Saturday evening, December 27, in honor of the anniversary of St. John, the patron saint of masonry, and it is needless to say that the Plattsmouth Masons did themselves proud on this important event by giving a most magnificent entertainment.

The tables were most tastefully arranged and appropriately decorated, and the members of the young ladies' auxiliary and the brothers are fortunate to have members of both sexes.

Hon. F. E. White, secretary of the Grand Lodge of the State, was contacted as Grandmaster, and he delivered the address of welcome, which was responded to in the most eloquent and in a most pleasing manner. Many toasts were made to, and the exercises were interspersed with excellent music by Miss Florence White, Miss Cummins and the Sherwood orchestra.

The banquet was complete in every particular, and fully demonstrated that our Masonic brethren in Plattsmouth never do anything by the half. All in all, it was a most pleasant event as all who were present can fully attest.

**Telephones.**

The Plattsmouth Telephone Company is preparing to publish a new directory the first of the year, and persons who are thinking of putting in telephones and want their names in the directory, would do well to make arrangements immediately.

Farmers send for information about Alfalfa and the Great Platte Valley. Address, Platte Valley Information Bureau, First Floor, New York Life Bldg., Omaha.

**Call for "Gut Hell" cigars, 5c.**

Dr. Marshall, dentist, Fitzgerald block.

**Dr. Elster, Dentist, Waterman Block.**

Master Mechanic Ackerman of the Havelock shops was a Plattsmouth visitor Sunday.

If you want a good spoke ask for "Exquisitos," and you are guaranteed just what you want.

If you are a judge of a good smoke try the "Acorns" 5 cent cigar and you will smoke no other.

A. F. Sturm, the Nehawka grain buyer, and elevator man was a Plattsmouth visitor Monday.

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. V. M. Mullis died Friday. Funeral took place Sunday from the family residence. Services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Baird.

Otto Vogtman, sentenced at the recent term of district court to 18 months in the penitentiary was conveyed to that institution Tuesday. His crime was burglarizing his father's house last summer. His health has been very poor for the past month.

Marriage licenses were granted to the following parties by Judge Douglas Monday: Henry White, aged twenty-one, of Lincoln, and Miss Sadie E. Buskirk, aged twenty, of Greenwood; Fred H. P. Bockelman, aged twenty-five, and Miss Chloe A. Evedland aged twenty-one, both of Murdock.

Conrad Wheeler, aged 82 years, died at the home of his son, C. F. Wheeler in this city Saturday night. The deceased was brought to this city, several days previous to his death from Memphis, Neb. Sunday the remains were taken to Waco, this state, and deposited beside the grave of his wife.

**Holiday Comers and Goers.**

Fritz and Miss Lena Fricke spent the holidays at home.

Noel B. Rawls was down from Havelock to eat Christmas dinner.

Ed Streight of Omaha, spent Christmas with H. J. Streight and family.

Fred Range was home from Havelock to take Christmas dinner with his parents.

J. E. Marshall, working on the Lincoln News, took Christmas dinner with his parents.

A. A. Nusbaum, of St. Joseph, spent the holidays with Julius Pepperberg and family.

L. L. Atwood and wife, of Omaha, were entertained Christmas by Plattsmouth relatives.

Bob Hayes came in to spend the holidays with his brother and sister, Dr. Paul and Miss Mable.

James Corrigan, wife and mother took dinner with friends in Council Bluffs, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newell of Omaha, spent Christmas day with Grandma and Grandma Atwood.

Charles Patterson came up from St. Joseph to spend Christmas with home folks, returning Friday.

W. N. Baird, principal book-keeper for the Commercial National Bank of Omaha spent the day at home.

Henry Tartsch, in charge of F. J. Morgan's store at McCook, spent Christmas with his parents.

David Hawksworth, jr., of the American Car and Foundry Co., Detroit, spent the holidays with his parents.

Wm. Tippens, of the Burlington planing mills, at St. Joseph, spent the holidays with Plattsmouth relatives.

Lloyd B. Wilson, inspector for the Bell Telephone Company in Lincoln,

**PARMELE THEATRE.**

The Beggar Prince Comic Opera Co. — IN THE — Pretty Persian.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 5th..

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A few seasonable hints—such as  
A Nice Umbrella, A Pair of Wool Blankets,  
A Fur Scarf or Muff, A Wool or Silk Dress Pattern,  
A Gold Medal Carpet Sweeper, Rugs, all Sizes, from \$1.00  
A Pair of Queen Quality Shoes.

Don't forget our "Queen Quality" price competition. Call at the store and investigate. Also an elegant assortment of

**China and Glassware, Lamps,**

Candlesticks, Purses, Bags, Pillow Tops, and Novelties of all kinds. Don't forget our line of home-made Comforts, Shawls, Blankets and the best line of Hosiery and Underwear in Cass county.

**Serious Accident.**

Louis Backenbush, a farm hand in the employ of Peter Meisinger, while crossing a small bridge which spans the creek on Washington avenue, about 7 o'clock Saturday night, accidentally made a mis-step and fell on the ice below, sustaining injuries that will lay him up for some weeks. A couple of small boys happened to be passing soon after he fell and heard the unfortunate man's cries. Going farther up the avenue they met Mr. J. C. Coleman coming down, whom they told, Mr. Coleman called to his assistance several gentlemen. A door was procured, upon which the injured man was placed and conveyed to the office of Dr. Livingston where his fractures were attended. The leg was found to be broken just below the hip, and his forehead considerably bruised. He was taken to the Perkins House, where at last reports he was doing remarkable well under the circumstances.

**Decamped With Their "Duds."**

Wm. Brantner was in town Monday on the lookout of a young man who had decamped with nearly all the clothing he had, together with all that the gentleman with whom he is making his home, also possessed. Mr. Brantner is making his home with Mr. Bert Satchell, two miles south of Mynard. Last Saturday the family, including Mr. Brantner, went away with the intention of returning the next day. A young man by the name of Chas. Bante, who had been employed to husk corn, was left in charge of affairs on the farm during their absence. On their return home Sunday Bante was missing, as was also a large valise containing Mr. Brantner's clothing, and also the clothing belonging to Mr. Satchell. The thief also carried away with him a child's savings bank containing a few dimes and nickels. Officers were duly notified and all efforts will be made to capture the thief. The clothing taken is valued at between forty and fifty dollars. A box of matches, only 1c.

**District Court Terms for 1903.**

Judge Jessen has announced the dates of the terms of court to be held in this, the Second Judicial District, comprising the counties of Otoe and Cass, for 1903, which we clip from the Nebraska City Tribune, as follows, to-wit:

OTOE COUNTY.  
February 2; July, Feb. 9. April 20, Equity. September 14; July Sept. 21.

CASS COUNTY.  
March 9; July, March 16. May 18, Equity. November 9; July, Nov. 16.

The most inveterate smokers declare the "Exquisitos" the choicest cigars.



**Xmas is Gone**

but not all the cold weather.

Ladies Warm Shoes from 85c to \$1.75.

We sell the best quality, Jersey Leggings, Extra Fleece for \$1.

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The Well Known Specialist, Franklin Miles, M. D. LL.B., Will Send \$4.00 Worth of His New Treatment Free.

There never was a better opportunity for persons suffering from diseases of the heart, nerves, liver, stomach or dropsy to test, free, a well tried and Complete Treatment for these disorders. Dr. Miles is known to be a leading specialist in these diseases, and his liberal offer is certainly worthy of serious consideration by every afflicted reader.

His system of treatment is thoroughly scientific and immensely superior to the ordinary methods. It includes several remedies carefully selected to suit each individual case and is the final result of twenty-five years of very extensive research and experience in treating this class of disease. Each treatment consists of a curative elixir, tonic tablets, laxative pills and usually a plaster. Extensive statistics clearly demonstrate that Mr. Miles' treatment is at least three times as successful as the usual treatment.

Thousands of remarkable testimonials from prominent people will be sent free. These show Dr. Miles to be one of the world's most successful physicians.

Col. E. B. Spilman of the 9th United States Regulars, located at San Diego, Cal., says: "Dr. Miles' special treatment has worked wonders in my son's case when all else failed. I had employed the best medical talent and spent \$5.00 in doing so. I believe he is a wonderful specialist. I consider it my duty to recommend him." "For years I had severe trouble with my stomach, head, nervous sinking spells and dropsy. Your treatment utterly cured me," writes Hon. W. A. Warren, of Jamestown, N. Y.

Mr. Julius Keister, of 250 Michigan avenue, Chicago, testifies that Dr. Miles cured him after ten able physicians had failed. Mrs. E. Trimmer of Greenspring, Pa., was cured after ten able physicians had pronounced her case hopeless.

As all afflicted readers may have \$4.00 worth of treatment especially adapted to their case, free we would advise them to send for it at once. Address Dr. Franklin Miles, 203 to 209 State street, Chicago, Ill.

Half Rates to Lincoln. January 18 to 24, 1903. On the above dates the Burlington will sell tickets from any point in Nebraska to Lincoln and return at one fare for the round trip. Tickets good returning until February 3rd. Ask the Burlington agent.

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