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## DEATH OF W. R. KEEFER

### A Former Cass County Citizen Passes Away in California.

Died, December 14, 1906, of malarial rheumatism, Willard F. Keefer, aged 42 years, 4 months and 26 days, at Azusa, California, where he had gone for his health. During his long illness he was tenderly cared for night and day by the loving hand of his faithful wife, he not caring for the ministrations of others.

Willard R. Keefer was born at Polo, Ogle county, Illinois, on July 17, 1864. He was a son of Moses and Mary Keefer, and had seven brothers and two sisters. He is survived by father, mother, five brothers and both sisters who live in different parts of the United States. His father and mother reside in Lincoln, Neb.; J. W. Keefer, Azusa, Cal.; the family of Geo. F. Keefer, Lawrence Keefer, Carl Keefer and wife, Mrs. Flora B. Keefer and daughter, Pauline, in Los Angeles; M. L. Keefer and family, M. C. Keefer and family live near the old homestead at Alvo, Neb.; F. M. Keefer and family at Oregon, Ill.; Anna Stover and family, Waynesboro, Penn.; Ella M. Thomas and family of Carrington, N. D.; J. L. Keefer and wife of Los Angeles.

W. R. Keefer, the subject of this sketch, was dearly loved and honored by all who knew him intimately, having held many positions of honor and emolument both in church and state. In 1870 his father removed to Nebraska and settled near Greenwood. Here he grew to manhood, and was married July 26, 1885, to Miss Marion Cooley at Lincoln, Nebraska. To this union were born five children, four sons, Rex, Earl, Neal and John, and one daughter, Corinne. He leaves a wife and five children who mourn the loss of a most kind and loving husband and father.

## FELL FROM A MOVING CAR

### Charles Burns Fatally Injured at Union Saturday Afternoon About 2 O'clock.

The following from the Nebraska City News, of Saturday, gives more definite particulars of the accident to brakeman Chas. Burns at Union on that date. The News special says:

"UNION, Dec. 29.—About 2 o'clock this afternoon Charles Burns, of Omaha, a brakeman on freight train No. 194, fell from the top of a box car, as the train was leaving the station. He had an arm and leg broken and injured internally and it is feared fatally.

"He was trying to stop the train to enable another brakeman to get on the train, when he slipped and fell from the wet roof of the car. He was brought to the depot where he was given medical attention and the physicians are of the opinion that he cannot survive.

"He is married and his wife lives in Omaha. He will be taken to Omaha this afternoon on the passenger train, if he survives, and will be placed in a hospital."

## A FORMER CASS COUNTY CITIZEN DEAD

### Henry E. Timpke, Now of Grand Island, Passed Away Saturday.

A special from Grand Island gives the following account of the death of an early pioneer in Cass county, at one time a resident of South Bend: "Henry E. Timpke, a Nebraska pioneer, died at his home in the southwestern part of the city yesterday, at the advanced age of 80 years. His wife and eight children remain. He was a native of Schleswig-Holstein, Germany. He emigrated to America in 1849, located at Davenport, Iowa, later moved to South Bend, Nebr., thence to Omaha, where he entered the employ of the government in the trans-plains freight business, per ox team, making the trips from Omaha to Denver. In 1861 he bought the Fred Hedde homestead southwest of the city, was married in 1865 to Miss Obermiller of Omaha, and has since made his home on the old homestead ever since."

### How to Cure Chills.

"To enjoy freedom from chills," writes John Kemp, East Otisfield, Me., "I apply Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Have also used it for salt rheum with lent results." Guaranteed to cure fever sores, indolent ulcers, piles, burns, wounds, frost bites and skin diseases. 25c at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store.

## FACES A SERIOUS CHARGE

### A Complaint for Assault With Intent to Commit Great Bodily Harm.

### FILED IN JUSTICE COURT FRIDAY

### Defendant Stull Charged With Attempting to Inflict Serious Injury to Jesse Green.

In Judge Archer's court Friday evening a complaint for assault to commit great bodily harm was filed by the county attorney, on behalf of the state, against C. Lawrence Stull. The complaint is to the effect that on the 22nd day of December C. Lawrence Stull unlawfully, feloniously and purposely assaulted Jesse Green and struck, beat and wounded with the intent to inflict great bodily injury on said Green, contrary to the statute and against the peace and dignity of the state of Nebraska.

The above affray, referred to in the complaint, occurred on Saturday, a week ago today, and resulted in the arrest of Stull and Mrs. A. G. Green on a charge of disturbing the peace. The citizens who were on the streets that night state that the trouble started when Mrs. A. G. Green induced her son, Jesse, about twenty years of age, to leave one of the saloons and thus save his month's wages.

After proceeding but a short distance from the saloon they were accosted by Stull, who soon became angry on account of the action of Mrs. Green in taking the son from the saloon, and drawing a hand from his pocket he struck at the young man, who, having received a slash barely through his coat and other clothing, ran away. After Green had been disposed of, it is said that Stull attempted to grab Mrs. Green's purse, whereupon she screamed, and the police coming near, Stull made a sudden disappearance. When the police arrived they found Mrs. Green screaming and carrying on, and they proceeded to take her in charge for disturbing the peace.

### Out of Fire Into the Pan.

It is very hard to get out of the clutches of corporation when it once gets its tentacles fixed in the victim. Omaha finally got out of the clutches of the Nebraska Telephone Monopoly, but it was a hard, dirty fight. Now it is the water company that will not let go. Years ago the people voted to take over the water company or build a new plant with the city's own money. But do you think that the people have been able to find agents to do its work, even though men were elected to do it? Not yet. It's the water company that has all the rights, according to Omaha courts, public men and "our leading business and professional men." Every year counts with the big corporations; one year more for them and that means money for them to divide. It takes time, but eventually Omaha will get out of the clutches of these grasping corporations. When Omaha can own its light, heat, water, telephone and street car service then it will not only be self supporting, but tax free, and the people will have all these blessings at half the price now paid for them.

### Wedding at Eagle.

Rev. Storey, of Alvo, officiating, Jessie M., the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cooper was united in marriage to Bert Lytel at the home of the bride's parents two and one half miles north of Eagle on Christmas at high noon.

About one hundred and twenty-five guests were present to witness the ceremony and fully half that number were unable to be present. After the ceremony the guests were served with one of those dinners such as Mrs. Cooper alone can prepare.

### Death of Christopher W. Moore.

Christopher W. Moore, an inmate of the Masonic Home in this city, passed away last night about 11 o'clock, at the age of sixty-five years, after a illness of several years standing. The deceased was born in Bristol, England, on the 28th of March, 1842, and was a member of Capitol lodge, No. 3, of Omaha. A few years ago he suffered a stroke a paralysis, which was never recovered from. A wife, who is also in poor health survives the deceased husband.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the Masonic Home, Rev. J. H. Salsbury officiating.

### On the Right Track.

The merchants in some localities of South Dakota seems to have stirred up a hornets nest with some Chicago catalogue houses. The members of the South Dakota Retail Dealers' association have refused to buy goods from jobbers or wholesalers who deal with factories furnishing goods to catalogue and mail order houses. Their refusal is bringing desired results. Already a big mail order house of Chicago has brought suit against the Retail Dealers' association on complaint that they have entered into a conspiracy to ruin its business. They claim they have been refused goods by manufacturers thereby placing them in a position so as to be unable to fill their orders sent in by customers. Retail dealers are certainly on the right track and we hope to see them win out.

## SOCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE CITY

### P. E. O. Society Entertains at Geo. E. Dovey's—H. S. S. Club Enjoy 6 O'clock Dinner With Miss Helen Clark.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Dovey was the rendezvous of over fifty ladies and gentlemen Friday evening, when the P. E. O. society entertained the husbands and friends at another of those social gatherings which are looked forward to with such pleasant anticipations. The home was very cozy appearing with the holiday decorations of holly and mistletoe, under which the unsuspecting ones hastened when they discovered their perilous position. After a few moments spent in social conversation the gentlemen were called upon to select partners for the game to be played. To choose a partner, by the tip of the shoe, protruding from beneath a curtain, was a feat that each gentleman was forced to accomplish, and much merriment was derived from the novel way in which each secured a lady.

The principal feature of amusement for several hours was progressive dominoes, and the contest produced much sociability and entertainment for the company. The elegant refreshments served at the conclusion of the game added further to the enjoyable time, and after Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wescott had rendered several very much appreciated selections the company hastened homeward ere the morning hour should put in an appearance. Before departing, the participants expressed their hearty enjoyment of the evening to the entertainment committee of the society, composed of Mrs. F. A. Murphy, Mrs. E. W. Cook, Miss Mia Gering and Mrs. Dovey, who had proven to be such excellent entertainers and providers.

The members of the H. S. S. club were pleasantly entertained Friday evening at a six o'clock dinner at the home of Byron Clark, who, together with Hon. R. B. Windham, assisted Miss Helen in the social evening, which was spent by the young ladies, after an excellent repast. Games and other amusements were indulged in for several hours, after which the merry makers took leave of their hostess. Those permitted to enjoy the hospitality of Miss Helen, were Misses Beatrice Hasse, Hallie Parmele, Ellen Pollock, Katherine Windham and Charlotte Kether.

### A Word to the Wise.

In the past few weeks several articles have been lost upon the streets of Plattsmouth, that have been advertised, but not recovered. These articles are evidently in the possession of parties, perhaps ignorant of the fact, that the finder of property is liable to prosecution if they do not attempt to restore the same to the rightful parties. The law contemplates such as theft, and the finder will be dealt with accordingly. Several articles have been picked up off the streets that are known to be in possession of the parties finding them. Better restore them to the proper owners, and save trouble.

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## SMOOTH GUYS AT WORK

### Plattsmouth Merchants Should Keep Their Eyes Peeled for Such Fellows.

A special from Nebraska City, says: "Two men, evidently Germans and dressed like laborers, visited this city yesterday and passed a number of forged checks. They cashed two with Art Kramer for \$22.10, one on Bader Bros. for \$21.60, and one with Schnitzer Bros. for \$9.80. They are said to have cashed several others, but those who cashed them have decided to keep the matter mum. The two men waited until after banking hours and went up one side of the street and down the other, visiting every place of business and tendering checks for various sums. In every case they used the name of Martin Wickhorst, one of the leading farmers south of this city and made the amount of each sum similar to a sum which would likely be due a laboring man. They claimed to have worked for Wickhorst. One was six feet tall and weighed 190 pounds and the other five feet and nine inches, weighing 160 pounds. The police have offered a reward of \$25 for their capture."

It would be well for Plattsmouth merchants to be on the lookout for such smooth guys. The best way is to cash no checks for those whom you do not know.

## RIGHT ARM IS AMPUTATED

### Hopes Are Entertained for James Shields Recovering Since Operation.

In regard to the condition of James Shields, who was very seriously injured Thursday in Sedalia, Mo., a message received in this city Saturday morning is to the effect that the mangled right arm was amputated last evening and that the patient is getting along as well as possible under the distressing circumstances.

No further particulars in regard to the accident have been obtained, with the exception that the young man was injured by an engine, but this could have occurred in various ways, as Jim was employed in the erecting department of the machine shop, where engines are taken to pieces, repaired and built, and where many accidents happen in picking up the large locomotives that are now used. The many friends of the young man sincerely hope that the accident will not prove to be as bad as was reported.

### Death of Mrs. J. L. Rhoden.

Don Rhoden came up from Murray Sunday morning to secure some necessary articles preparatory to going to Table Rock, Nebraska, with his wife to attend the funeral of Mrs. J. L. Rhoden, who died Saturday morning.

A special from Table Rock, under date of December 30, gives the following in reference to the lady's death: "Mrs. Miranda Rhoden, wife of J. L. Rhoden, living west of Table Rock, died at her residence at an early hour yesterday morning, after a lingering illness of almost a year, of consumption aged about 51 years. She leaves a husband, five sons and two daughters. All were present at the time of her death. Funeral services will be held here at 11 o'clock tomorrow forenoon at the Christian church and she will be buried in the Table Rock cemetery."

G. W. Rhoden and wife also departed Sunday to attend the funeral. The bereaved husband is a brother of G. W. T. J., Don and W. A. Rhoden, of Cass county.

### Cured of Lung Trouble.

"It is now eleven years since I had a narrow escape from consumption," writes C. O. Floyd, a leading business man of Kershaw, S. C. "I had run down in weight to 135 pounds, and coughing was constant, both by day and by night. Finally I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and continued this for about six months, when my cough and lung trouble were entirely gone and I was restored to my normal weight, 170 pounds." Thousands of persons are healed every year. Guaranteed at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

### The Right Name.

Mr. August Sherpe, the popular overseer of the poor, at Ft. Madison, Ia., says: "Dr. King's New Life Pills are rightly named; they act more agreeably, do more good and make one feel better than any other laxative. Guaranteed to cure biliousness and constipation. 25c at F. G. Fricke & Co.'s drug store."

### NOTICE!

There is 20 per cent. discount on Furs at Dovey's.

### Mrs. Anna M. Anderson.

The death of Mrs. Anderson occurred at 9:30 a. m. on last Friday, December 21, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Everett, southeast of this village, her age being 76 years, 2 months and 22 days. She had been falling in health for some time, and on account of her age it rendered her so feeble that other ailments followed with fatal results. Deceased was born in Sweden, and came to this country about 46 years ago with her husband, whose death occurred a number of years ago. Although her physical condition for a long time rendered her circle of acquaintances rather limited she was known as a kind and benevolent old lady for whom all who knew her had the greatest respect. The remains were taken to Nebraska City on Monday, where the funeral services were held that afternoon.—Union Ledger.

## GET TRACE OF TWO FORGERS

### Worked Graft at Nebraska City, Then Came to Plattsmouth Friday.

The two smooth guys who worked the check game so successfully in Nebraska City, Friday, were traced as far as this city, where they stayed Friday night. The Journal published an account of their doings in the city, and gave a description of the two men, which Deputy Sheriff Manspecker noticed, and thus was able to get trail of the two criminals.

Sheriff Quinton and Deputy Sheriff Manspecker have their men located, and doubtless will bring them in before night. A reward of \$25.00 is offered by the Nebraska City people for their capture.

## DEATH OF PETER GRUBER

### Aged Husband Dies Only Five Hours After His Wife's Interment.

A special from Union, under date of last night (December 28) says: "Peter Gruber, aged 81 years, died here this evening at 8:15, only five hours after the burial of his wife, Jacobina Gruber, who died Thursday morning at the age of 82 years. Both had been quite sick for some time. They were born in Germany and came to this neighborhood in 1858, being highly respected and wealthy citizens."

### Class of '04 Hold First Reunion.

The parlors of the Hotel Riley was the rendezvous of quite a number of the class of thirty-two members who graduated from the local high school in 1904. The occasion for the gathering was the first reunion of the class at an elaborate banquet. In the dining room a long table, artistically decorated with lilies and ferns, candelabras containing pale blue candles, and beautiful souvenir place cards, was soon surrounded by the merry participants, who indulged in a five-course banquet. The evening proved to be a happy one, and will be remembered by those present. Among the out of town guests in attendance were Miss Gretchen Walsh, Messrs. Milliard Klein, Eugene Tighe and Fred Waugh of Lincoln.

### Two More Wrecks at Orepolis.

The little station of Orepolis is gaining an unenviable reputation for wrecks, a slight mix-up occurring there last night, and another train being derailed this morning. The accident last night did not result in serious damage beyond the ditching of two box cars on a Burlington extra freight.

The other wreck, occurring this morning about 8 o'clock, resulted in the engine and four cars of Burlington freight No. 71 being derailed. The accident happened in much the same way as the terrible disaster of Christmas evening, but the trainmen were more fortunate, as the engine did not turn over into the ditch. The trucks of the engine were badly mashed up and the road bed was torn up for several rods after leaving the derail. On account of the wreck traffic was delayed, but an extra under Fred E. Denson, soon had the cars standing on the track cleared away so that trains by the way of Omaha are running as usual.

Food don't digest? Because the stomach lacks some one of the essential digestants or the digestive juices are not properly balanced. Then, too, it is this undigested food that causes sourness and painful indigestion. **Kodol For Indigestion** should be used for the same reason. It is a combination of vegetable acids. It digests, and corrects the deficiencies of digestion. Kodol conforms to the national Pure Food and Drug Law. Sold here by F. G. Fricke & Co.

## PASSING OF PIONEER LADY

### Mrs. Perry Walker Summoned to the Great Beyond at 8 P. M. Saturday.

### RESIDED IN CASS COUNTY FORTY YEARS

### Funeral From the Late Home Wednesday Afternoon at 1 O'clock, Services by Dr. Baird and Rev. Salsbury.

As last Saturday was fast drawing to a close Mrs. Emma Sayles Walker, one of the most prominent of the early pioneer settlers of Cass county, responded to the summons to the Great Beyond, where a husband and three sons have preceded her. After several weeks of patient suffering the end came about 8 o'clock—all the surviving children, with the exception of Rheece, being present.

Emma Sayles was born in Potsdam, N. Y., on the 5th of February in the year 1841, and in Norfolk, N. Y., on the 24th of November, 1861, she was united in marriage to Perry Walker, soon after which, they emigrated to Illinois, where they remained a short time, coming to Nebraska in 1864, and locating on a farm a few miles south of this city, where they resided for many years. After retiring from the farm they settled in this city where the deceased has dwelt until the mysterious angel, gathered her underneath its folds, the husband preceding her about five years ago.

The children are: Herbert J., deceased; Rheece A., El Paso, Texas, Marvin F., deceased; Edison S., deceased; Mrs. Grace Walker Johnson, St. Augustine, Fla.; Mrs. Clara Walker Phillips, Marquette, Neb.; and Miss Cora Walker, Plattsmouth.

The names of her step-children are: Myron C. Walker, Norfolk, Neb.; Miss Hattie A. Walker, Cleveland, Ohio. Children of Mr. Walker's former marriage.

The last services will be held from the late home, on the corner of Fourth and Oak streets, at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Dr. J. T. Baird, assisted by Rev. J. H. Salsbury.

### A TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.

In the death of Mrs. Walker a general feeling of personal loss is felt. Residing so many years in our midst her friends look back over her long life of unselfish service, a life of truthfulness, of strength and gentleness—home meant so much to her, a place of peace and rest—yet by nature equipped with rare business intelligence. She bravely battled for all things good; many deeds of her life survive the deed and many homes will testify to the substantial aid afforded and the cheery words of comfort given in hours made dark by affliction.

We cannot well spare women like Mrs. Walker, and yet the Father in his infinite wisdom has taken her and left empty hearts and outstretched hands that would fain have held her a little longer and enjoyed her companionship a few more years. The children that mourn for the mother gone are indeed left desolate and every heart extends to them today the truest sympathy.

Let us hope—  
"As to the day, its burden of its sorrow,  
So is our strength by Love's bliss defined  
Beyond the trust which looketh to the morrow  
Not ours the striving nor is ours the need—  
He knoweth best—the sorrow and the weeping,  
Who left the power of will unfettered, free;  
The great, kind God who holds within his keeping  
Each day and hour through all eternity."

### Details of Accident to Jim Shields.

Through a letter from Mrs. Spader, who is with her son, James Shields, at Sedalia, Mo., further particulars of the unfortunate accident are obtained, which are to the effect that Jim had quit work at Sedalia and had gone to the depot with the intention of taking the train home. Several friends were with him, and when the train was moving, Jim's coat was caught in the machinery, and he was pulled underneath the wheels.

His right arm was crushed but he managed, with the other hand to hold himself until the mangled arm was freed, after which he walked back to his friends, and then gave way. He was taken to the hospital and the injured arm amputated.

Word received from the patient conveys the news that he is recovering from the anaesthetics administered before the operation, and is suffering considerable pain.