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JOTTINGS FOR THE JOLLY

Short Paragraphs Prepared and Parloined For the Readers of the Journal.

This, for all the sorrow—
This, for all the sin;
This old world's the best one
That ever you were in.

A pretty girl usually has plain sailing.

A high roller isn't in the moss back class.

The world may love a lover, but it bates a quitter.

Two heads are better than a dozen—in a love affair.

It isn't always the winner who wears a winning smile.

It is better not to be witty than it is to be half-witted.

"Critic" is the term a chronic kicker applies to himself.

No, Alonzo, "hayseeds" are not responsible for straw votes.

Style is one of the principal ingredients in a dressmaker's bill.

When riches fly in at the window, friends flock in at the door.

He who hath no faith in himself is already a successful failure.

A ghost is one of the things that will not stand an investigation.

If a woman can't get her way in any other way she proceeds to faint.

One isn't necessarily crooked because he follows his natural bent.

Without economy some can be rich, but with it no one need be poor.

If it is necessary for you to make enemies make them of lazy men.

If a man can afford a motor boat he doesn't have to paddle his own canoe.

All our yesterdays were once today and all our todays were once tomorrows.

Nothing interests a woman more than a man who refuses to explain things.

And the man who has money to burn seldom uses any of it to help enlighten the world.

Everything comes to the man who waits—and the bill collector heads the procession.

Undoubtedly the only way you can get the best of lawyers is to have no use for them.

Honest, now, doesn't it make you feel important every time anyone asks you for advice?

The weather man promises us winter weather in large handfuls from January 12 to 16.

The bunco man appoints himself a divorce judge for the purpose of separating a fool from his coin.

The average woman likes to be bossed during courtship almost as well as she likes to boss after marriage.

We've often noticed that a farmer never puts much confidence in the weather forecast made by a town man.

An old hen laid an orange,
She laid it in the shade,
The little chick said, "Come and see
The orange mar-ma-lade."

"Don't ask the old world to be better in this year of grace, but whirl in and see what you can do in that line for yourself," is the advice of an old-time philosopher.

A New York judge has decided that it is no offense to kiss a girl on the doorstep. It may not be an offense, but that isn't the place to kiss a girl. What are rosy lips for anyhow?

A noted doctor says that the drink habit can be overcome by the use of buttermilk. In the language of the old darkey: "Good Lawd, send a refreshin' shower of buttermilk to Plattsmouth!"

We noticed a young man of this city Saturday evening in a beastly state of intoxication, who "swore off" on New Year's day. He stood the test just four days. Shame on a young man who cannot keep a good resolution longer.

A smart chap announces that he will inaugurate a set of dances without the customary hug. That will lessen interest in dancing. Well, can't the hug be arranged on the side? That is the way most of them are taken anyhow.

There are men in every town willing to give to every enterprise, while others freeze to their money as though they really believe they could smuggle it through the peary gates and purchase corner lots in the New Jerusalem with it.

A St. Louis man is to introduce a law in the next legislature to require a man who applies for a marriage license to demonstrate to the officials that he can support a wife. That's a base discrimination against man, poor man. Suppose he has it all fixed up for his wife to support him.

Medal Contest.

The work for the "medal" has begun in earnest and the children seem enthusiastic and greatly interested. The following are the names of those in the class: Hazel Tvey, Mildred Cummins, Marie Douglass, Maud Kuhney, Margaret Thomas, Don Seiver, John Isbell, Bennie Windham. We ask for these contestants the sympathy and encouragement of the whole city, for they are working in a good cause, and the educational advantages cannot be overestimated.

MRS. L. A. MOORE,
Superintendent Medal Contest.

THE MURPHY PAVING CASE

The City Wins Out Again in the Supreme Court, and the Same Ordered Dismissed.

A VERY HOTLY CONTESTED LAW SUIT

The City Attorney, Judge Travis, Always to the Front in the Interest of the City of Plattsmouth.

The case of Hugh Murphy vs. The City of Plattsmouth has been reversed, remanded and ordered to be dismissed by the supreme court. This case has been tried several times, the city always winning in the supreme court. It is now to be dismissed by Judge Jensen under direction from that court.

Considerable law has been made or construed in this case. It determined that up to 1901 cities of the class to which Plattsmouth belongs, were operating under the laws of 1879, and not 1883, 1885 or 1887.

H. D. Travis has been city attorney for several years. The litigation of the city has, so far, always terminated in favor of the city. He is one of the most thorough, learned and careful lawyers in the state. He has probably the best, though not the largest, law library in the state. He wins his cases by energy, persistence and his knowledge of the law. Mayor Gering has made no mistake in his selection of counsel for the city, and every matter coming up before the city council where a legal question was in doubt, has fully demonstrated this fact. He is a true guardian of the taxpayers of Plattsmouth.

Nettleton's Career.

Daniel M. Nettleton, who won the speakership in the late Nebraska legislative contest, is a native of County Antrim, Ireland, born in 1840. At three years of age he came to America, lived in Illinois and served through the civil war with the Fourth Illinois cavalry until he was severely wounded at Cross Bayou. He came to Nebraska in 1872 and has farmed in Clay county ever since. He was elected to the Nebraska legislature in 1883 and 1885. In 1892 he was presidential elector and served as messenger to Washington. In 1896 he was defeated for the legislature by L. L. Johnson, populist.

Short Line From Omaha to Lincoln.

What is said to be the final survey of the Omaha and Lincoln line of the Union Pacific has been completed through Ashland. This branch leaves the Union Pacific main line at Lane, and strikes at a straight line to Ashland across the Platte river about a mile north of the present Burlington project and through the western portion of Ashland. From Ashland the line keeps to the west of the Burlington tracks, but parallels them practically all the way. It will miss Greenwood by a small margin, but will run through Waverly and Havelock.

Meteorological Records.

(Continued.)
The severest blizzard that has visited the southern and eastern part of the United States during the past twenty-five years, occurred February 9 to 14, 1899. Thirty-six inches of snow fell at Washington, D. C., and the temperature fell to 15 degree below zero.

It is recorded that snow fell to the depth of several feet in North and South Carolina in February 1717.

The coldest weather on record at Omaha in February for the last thirty years was 26 degrees below zero, on the 11th, 1899, and at North Platte on the 12, 1899, it was 35 below.

Little Folks' Party.

Elizabeth, the little seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Beeson, celebrated her seventh birthday Thursday afternoon. Several little playmates were invited in and Mrs. Beeson afforded them a very pleasant time. Following were those present: Jeannette Patterson, Marie Spies, May Glenn, Grace Beeson and Janet Corey.

CUTS OUT SHERIFF'S GRAFT

Cannot Charge Mileage for Riding on Passes and Only Fifty Cents Per Day for Prisoners.

The sheriffs of Nebraska must not charge the state more than 50 cents a day hereafter for boarding and rooming convicts between the time of their sentence and their delivery to the state penitentiary, nor can they ride about on passes and then charge the state for mileage. They must render an expense account for nothing but actual expenses incurred in traveling on official business. This is the opinion that Judge Cornish of the district court of Douglas county handed down yesterday in the case of John Power, ex-sheriff of Douglas county.

The county commissioners of Douglas county, when Power was sheriff, refused to allow his claim of 70 cents a day on the ground that the law as it stood gave him but 50 cents a day for boarding convicts. Power appealed to the court. It was claimed by the state that the law upon which the claim is based was amendatory to a former law, and contained no clause repealing the law amended. The matter of punctuation figured much in the case. The opinion of the court is as follows:

"One main question in this case is whether or not the plaintiff, the sheriff of Douglas county, can recover from the state 70 cents per day for boarding convicts between the time of their sentence and their delivery over to the state penitentiary.

"The state refuses to pay 70 cents per day because the law upon which claim is based was amendatory of a former law, and contained no clause repealing the law amended.

"The object of this provision of the constitution is to make clear to the members of the legislature, and to the public generally, just what is about to be done in the way of legislation, and also to prevent confusion in the law which would arise if amendatory laws could be passed without requiring the new law to contain the amended law, and the old law to be repealed.

"Whether this is so or not the court is of the opinion that the words in either constitution reading 'and the section or sections as amended shall be repealed,' mean, regardless of punctuation, that for a law to be valid the law amended must be directly repealed.

"The other question in the case is whether or not sheriffs who ride on railroad passes are entitled to receive from the state what would be the cost of a railroad ticket as part of their expenses in conveying convicts to the penitentiary.

"The law reads, that they can recover from the state only 'expenses actually incurred.'

"The court is of the opinion that transportation which has cost the sheriff nothing cannot be held to be an expense actually incurred."

Brought Home a Bride.

A few weeks ago our genial friend, Eli M. Smith, departed for Oklahoma, ostensibly to visit his brother, but later developments prove that he had returned on the Wednesday evening train he was accompanied by a handsome lady whom he introduced as his wife. The Ledger reporter insisted upon further explanation, and Mr. Smith informed us that on Monday, December 24, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Caroline Tuttle at her home in McPherson, Kansas.

The bride is an intelligent and refined lady, very popular and highly esteemed in the community where she resided before coming here as a bride. Mr. Smith is one of our best known citizens, a prosperous farmer who has resided in this vicinity a number of years and has the respect and confidence of all who know him. The Ledger is pleased to join their friends in extending congratulations, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Smith many years of happiness and prosperity. — Union Ledger.

Have Trouble With Wives.

As a result of the nasty weather of the past few days, the telephone companies are experiencing some trouble with the lines in the rural districts. The mist settling on the wires, froze, and caused severe strain to the lines, some of which on account of the cold snap last night, pulling into in several places south of town. Although down in several places, the wires were quickly repaired, and very little inconvenience suffered by the patrons of the 'phones.

Some men are so considerate they even lie to their wives in order to avoid telling them things that would probably make them unhappy.

Hon. A. H. Metzger.

A. H. Metzger, of Cherry county, and a former Cass county boy, born and reared here, was in the city today, and gave the Journal a pleasant call. Mr. Metzger is a member of the present legislature from Cherry county, and in spite of the large republican majority in that county, was elected. During the recess he thought was a good time to visit the old homestead and see his mother. Mr. Metzger will serve his constituents faithfully and honorably, and this evidently they were satisfied he would do before he was elected. He was the only fusionist on the ticket in Cherry county that pulled through.

OBSERVE FINAL TRIBUTES

Many Attend Services in Honor of the Late Samuel M. Chapman.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the citizens of this city together with many prominent lawyers, politicians and gentlemen in other walks of life, assembled at the Presbyterian church to pay the last tributes of respect to the memory of the late Judge S. M. Chapman. The Masonic order and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, of which the deceased was a member, attended the services in charge of their respective officers. Beautiful and impressive services were held—Rev. J. H. Salisbury expressing many fine sentiments, and a quartette composed of Messrs. G. L. Farley, B. A. McElwain, Mesdames James Donnelly and J. W. Gamble, rendering sweet selections. Mrs. Gamble also sang a pathetic solo, "Saved By Grace." After the services at the church, the remains accompanied by a long procession of relatives and friends were conveyed to the Oak Hill cemetery for interment. Here the Masonic ritualistic ceremonies were performed during the burial.

The honorary pall bearers were, Messrs F. G. Fricke, J. W. Johnson, W. H. Newell, J. H. Becker, W. J. White and J. M. Robertson.

The active pall bearers were chosen from the Cass County Bar Association, and were the following gentlemen: Messrs J. L. Root, Byron Clark, C. S. Polk, Wm. Delles Derrier of Elmwood, A. L. Tidd and A. J. Beeson.

Further mention of the late Judge S. M. Chapman is reserved until tomorrow, when an extended account of his life work will be published by the Journal.

First Visit in Nineteen Years.

H. F. Boedecker, a former Cass county citizen, but who has been a resident of Fremont county, Wyo., for many years, was a Plattsmouth visitor today and a caller at Journal headquarters. Mr. Boedecker came in New Year's day to visit his mother and brothers in the southeast part of the county for the first time in ten years, and this was his first visit to Plattsmouth in nineteen years. He is engaged in the stock business and brought several car loads to the South Omaha market. Mr. Boedecker says he will always feel an interest in Cass county, and desiring to keep posted on local events he thought the best way to do so would be to enroll his name for the Old Reliable. We were pleased to make Mr. Boedecker's acquaintance.

Sold at a Good Price.

A. S. Will, one of the most thorough stockmen in Eastern Nebraska, while in the city Friday, informed the Journal that he had sold his Colorado ranch in which his son, J. N., had an interest. A few years ago Mr. Will purchased this ranch for \$10,000, and a few days ago sold it for \$65,000. On the ranch there is one thousand head of cattle which will be placed upon the market as soon as possible. This will end our old friend's frequent trips to the west. Mr. Will is one of the most energetic men in Nebraska, and now may be content to settle down on his large ranch in this county.

Terms of District Court.

Judge Paul Jensen has set the following terms of the district court for this district for the coming year: Cass county—February 18; jury term February 25, and April 29. Equity, September 16, with jury term for September 23.

Otoe county—March 18, with jury March 25. Equity, November 11, and July November 18.

Open the bowels and get the cold out of your system. Kennedy's Laxative Cough Syrup opens the bowels and at the same time allays the inflammation of the mucous membranes. Contains Honey and Tar. Drives out the cold and stops the cough. Absolutely free from any opiates. Conforms to the National Pure Food and Drug Law. Pleasae to take. Sold by F. G. Fricke & Co.

ARE RE-BUILDING MAIL CARS

The Plattsmouth Shops Will Remodel and Enlarge Fifteen or Twenty.

THESE FOR THE LINES WEST OF RIVER

The Request to Enlarge and Make Stronger Comes From the Postoffice Department.

The Burlington is now rebuilding fifteen or twenty mail cars of the sixty-foot class used on the lines west of the river, says the Lincoln Journal. The work is being done at the Plattsmouth shops, and just as rapidly as a car can be spared from service it is put through the shops. The work of rebuilding these cars comes after a request of the postoffice department for their reconstruction to conform to new specifications. The cars were originally built according to government specifications, and some of them have withstood a number of hard jams in wrecks of trains west of the river. In a wreck at Akron about eight feet of one end of the mail car was lost, the end being jammed until the car body was that much shorter. The end of the car was literally crushed, while the remainder of the body retained its shape. The heavy beams underneath withstood the shock so well that the car did not telescope.

In the reconstruction it is necessary to tear away the sides, to remove a large part of the roof, to take up the floor and to expose almost every part of the framework that steel bracing may be added. The intention is to make the cars as solid as modern construction will permit.

"Mail clerks are hemmed in when a wreck occurs. They know nothing about it until it is over. They have no chance to get out. To protect them it is necessary to build cars well. The government is doing what it can to give a safer place for them to work," says a mail service man.

In a number of recent collisions which have been reported, mail clerks have escaped uninjured. One of the exceptions was the recent wreck on the Union Pacific at Brule, where three clerks were hurt. The mail cars are built as strongly as the best Pullmans. A great deal of steel is used in the framework, and the heavy wooden floor beams are 5 1/2-2x8 inches in size. Even these beams are reinforced by steel angle bars.

Shall We Have County Option.

With a strong republican majority in each house of the Nebraska legislature, our prohibition friends have good reason to feel cheerful over the probable passage of the county option law. Governor Sheldon favors it and a big majority of republicans favor it and such a law may pass, which is a long step towards prohibition.

The bill provides that any time, ten per cent of the voters can by petition demand that a vote be taken by the whole county to see whether Plattsmouth or any other town in the county is to have a saloon. The county option law does away with the local option.

The following is a sample of the ingenious arguments used by advocates of the bill. They say: "County option does not in any sense mean prohibition except when the voters of the county at the ballot box determine that they do not want the legalized liquor traffic. We submit that there is no reason why the farmers of the county should not have an opportunity of expressing their will at the ballot box; their interests are affected; their property is taxed to assist in the prosecution of the crime that may be caused by the traffic; their families have the same interest in the good of the community that the vote has who happens to live in an incorporated village or town, and yet the farmer is disfranchised on this subject. The present session of the legislature will be largely republican in both houses, with a republican governor. If the party expects to be abreast with the great moral movements that are sweeping over this country they will give the farmers an opportunity to vote upon this question."

Cottonwood Ties.

A 12-acre patch of catalpa trees which the Burlington railroad company planted some years ago near Balfour, Iowa, is to be cut down and the wood used for fence posts, the trees being of a kind now considered unfit for railroad ties, for which purpose they were originally set out. A 12-acre patch of cottonwoods near the same place is also to be cut down and made into ties to be chemically treated as an experiment.

Entertained at Dinner.

At the cosy home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCauley a pleasant gathering of ladies occurred Friday, in response to invitations to a dinner in honor of Mrs. J. W. Hendee, of Wichita, Kan., who is visiting with friends in this city. At the hour of 12 o'clock, ten ladies assembled about the festal board, to enjoy the sumptuous dinner prepared for the occasion, and it is needless to say that each one did justice to every course. After the repast, the afternoon was enjoyably spent in a social time. Those to participate in the occasion were Mesdames C. C. Parmele, T. M. Patterson, E. L. Rouse, F. A. Murphy, W. A. Swearingen, F. J. Morgan, and Misses Addie Searle and Alma Waterman.

MEXICAN WAR VETERAN DEAD

Henry Watson Passed Away at 5 P. M. Saturday at Home of Niece.

IN CASS COUNTY OVER HALF A CENTURY

Final Tributes to Probably the Last Soldier of the War of 1847 in This County Held Monday at 11 O'clock.

In the twilight of life, at the close of the day, Saturday, Henry Watson, a veteran of the Mexican war, and a resident of Cass county for over half a century, responded to the final roll calling him to the ranks of the Army of the Silent. Mr. Watson had enjoyed excellent health until about nine days ago, when he was attacked by that dreaded malady, pneumonia, which worked with fatal results, the end coming at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home of the niece, Mrs. W. T. Smith.

The deceased was born in Tennessee in the year 1820, a short time after which date the family removed to Adair county, Kentucky, where he was reared to manhood. In the latter part of the 40s he emigrated to the west, settling in Schuyler county, Missouri, and then in St. Clair county of that state, where in 1850 he was united in marriage to Jane Shaylor, a native of Ohio. With his bride he removed to Mills county, Iowa, where he lived a few years, after which he located on a farm in Plattsmouth precinct in the fall of 1854. He was engaged in conducting the farm until 1877, when he retired into this city, where he has since resided until his death.

The old gentleman was probably the only Mexican war veteran living in this county, and also enjoyed the distinction of being one of the earliest settlers of Plattsmouth precinct. Both of the deceased's children are living—Mrs. Frank McNurlin, of this city, and Curtis Watson, of Goven, Wash.

The last fitting tributes to this soldier and pioneer settler were observed at 11 o'clock Monday morning from the home of the niece. Beautiful services were conducted by Rev. J. E. Houlgate, who was assisted by Rev. Brink, pastor of the Liberty church, south of this city. After the impressive services at the home the remains were conveyed to the Fairview cemetery, where they were interred by the side of the wife, who preceded him about six years ago.

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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.

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.

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