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JOTTINGS FOR THE JOLLY

Short Paragraphs Prepared and Purloined For the Readers of the Journal. Did you get April-fooled?

Little drops of water
Falling from the sky
Cause the men to gather,
Where the girls go by.
Eggs have dropped and butter is on the run.
Spring fever is "among the prominent arrivals."

The concussion of a rolling pin with a stubborn head is the real cause of brainstorms.
The thief who stole a church clock from an Indianapolis church must have been out for a good time.

Here's hoping that the merry jingle of the spring dollars may recompense us for the lost music of the winter fiddles!

We notice that nobody has shown any apparent inclination to deny the statement of the man who says the earth is 1,000,000,000 years old.

Oh, for the days of simple togs,
Of flannel skirts, alack!
And for a peek-a-boo that does
Not button up the back.

After a girl has been engaged twice, remarks a cynical writer, she does not consider it necessary to tie her love letters with baby blue ribbon.

A western man, once well-to-do, has gone to the poorhouse as a result of playing slot machines. He had ninety-nine chances to lose, and he took all of them.

One of the best ways known to a sensible country editor of keeping chickens out of your neighbor's garden and preventing trouble, is to fry the chickens early.

The Easter bonnet is no longer the question of the hour. To the man who pays for it and the woman who selects it it is quite as vexatious a question as ship subsidy or railway regulation.

A Chicago woman avers that she has indisputable proof of the fact that her husband is in heaven, because when the automobile blew him up there didn't any of him come down that could be found.

In answer to the question, "How much business capacity must a woman have to be successful," a Missouri editor replies that she needs just enough to attend to her own business and leave that of others alone.

"George," said a Plattsmouth girl, "before we were married you were always giving me presents. Why don't you ever bring me anything now?" "My dear," he replied, "did you ever hear of a fisherman giving bait to a fish he had caught?" Then the kettle boiled over.

The Price of Health.
"The price of health in a marlarious district is just 25 cents; the cost of a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills," writes Ella Slayten, of Noland, Ark. New Life Pills cleanse gently and impart new life and vigor to the system. 25 cents. Satisfaction guaranteed at F. G. Fricke & Co. druggist.

Delivers Sixth Lecture.
The sixth of the series of lectures being given before the members of the Young Men's Bible Class, in their room at the Methodist church, was given last evening by W. S. Stevenson of Omaha. The subject of his address was "Lighting the Fuse," and with much ease and clearness he demonstrated to the young men the necessity of having ambition and higher ideals toward which to work. The talk was highly appreciated, and every one expressed himself as being greatly benefited and aided by many thoughtful remarks.

Beside the members of the class, quite a number of visitors were present to also enjoy the talk.

After the conclusion of the address the class held a base ball meeting to consider and prepare for an organization.

Doing Business Again.
"When my friends thought I was about to take leave of this world, on account of indigestion, nervousness and general debility," writes A. A. Chisholm, Treadwell, N. Y., "and when it looked as if there was no hope left, I was persuaded to try Electric Bitters, and I rejoice to say that they are curing me. I am now doing business again as of old, and am still gaining daily." Best tonic medicine on earth. Guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co., Druggists. 50 cents.

Every woman appreciates a beautiful complexion, so much desired by men. Such complexions come to all who use Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. Tea or Tablets. Gering & Co.

SHOT KILLS LITTLE SON

William Howland, While Oiling Rifle, Allowed Hammer to Fall

THE BULLET STRIKES 4-YEAR-OLD BOY

Expires Half Hour After Depressing Accident Which Nearly Prostrated Parents with Grief

About half past four o'clock Easter Sunday afternoon, one of the most depressing and heart rendering accidents that ever befell man, occurred when William Howland discharged a target rifle fatally wounding his little four year old son Frank, who expired within a half hour after the shooting.

The circumstances surrounding the unfortunate occurrence have prostrated the parents in the deepest grief.

The little son, Nevall, had been playing around the yard during the afternoon, and had been coaxing the father to go walking. The father finally acquiesced, and going to a workshop near the home, which is situated in a valley near the railroad track and on the road to the pump house, he secured his 22 target rifle, which the boy had asked him to take along with them on the stroll through the woods.

On picking up the rifle, which had not been used for some time, Mr. Howland observed that the gun was rusted, and he therefore stopped to see if it would work all right. While he was oiling the weapon, the little boy went around the outside of the shop and continued to play by himself, awaiting for his father to come.

Becoming impatient he started to return to the door to see what his father was doing. As he ran to the door the father, who had been trying to work the hammer, allowed it to fall, discharging a cartridge, which unknown to him, reposed in the chamber of the gun.

The little boy, who had come within range as the hammer was falling, was struck in the right side by the bullet, and gasping, "Oh papa!" he fell upon the threshold of the shop. For a moment the father could not realize the terrible accident that had befallen his only son, then grasping the situation, he frantically gathered the child in his arms and with the greatest speed that he could get from his trembling limbs, he hastened toward the city.

Arriving at Wm. Witherow's residence in the north part of the city, he secured his horse and buggy and continued with these to Dr. E. W. Cook's office.

QA hurried examination by the physician disclosed the worst, and as they bent over the little boy, he gasped and expired.

The father and mother are plunged in the greatest grief, and in this hour of sorrow the friends, of whom there are many, extend their heartfelt sympathy.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed at this time, but we are informed that it will be held Wednesday, the hour not being set as they expect Mr. Howland's brother J. N., of Deadwood, and Fred of Havelock.

Eye Pierced By Nail.

While watching his father working about the yard Sunday morning, the 15-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Silas Breckinridge, fell upon a nail, puncturing the right eye ball. Dr. E. D. Cummins was hastily summoned and upon examining the patient found it necessary to take the little fellow to Omaha at once, where he was placed under the care of specialist, Dr. Gifford, who has slight hopes of saving the injured pupil.

Death at Masonic Home.

Between the hours of 8 and 9 o'clock Saturday evening, Homer G. Wagers, an inmate of the Masonic home, passed away from illness of stomach trouble. The deceased was a bachelor 74 years of age, and has been at home for about a week, coming from Albin, Nebraska. The last services, under the auspices of the Masons, were conducted from the Home at 2 o'clock this afternoon, interment being made in the Oak Hill cemetery.

Can't look well, eat well of fed well with impure blood feeding your body. Keep the blood pure with Burdick's Blood Bitters. Eat simply, take exercise, keep clean and you will have long life.

A Narrow Escape.

As the funeral procession was followed the remains of the late Cornelius Coffey to the cemetery Saturday, one of the carriages containing Mrs. Baxter Smith, Mrs. Thos. Walling and others, had a narrow escape from being struck by the Missouri Pacific passenger train going north. It seems the train was somewhat late at this place, and as it rounded the curve near the crossing, running at full speed, it came within a very few feet of striking the carriage which had reached the track. The driver backed the team just in time to save the lives of the occupants. It was a narrow escape and one which the occupants of the vehicle do not wish to again experience.

DEATH OF A FORMER PLATTSMOUTH LADY

Mrs. A. M. Stratton Sickness and Dies While En Route to Her Home.

The following account of the death of a former Plattsmouth lady is taken from the Leetonia (Ohio) Reporter of March 29. The deceased was formerly Miss Dora Worden, and resided here from childhood to womanhood, making her home most of the time with Mrs. Frank Johnson. She possessed many excellent qualities, and was loved by all who knew her. At the time of her death the family were en route for Topeka, Kansas, where her mother resides.

"It is with special sadness we chronicle the death of Mrs. A. M. Stratton in this week's issue. Some four weeks ago we noted the fact that with her husband and children they were visiting here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stratton, for a few days while en route to their old home in the west. A week later we noted that she was stricken down with pneumonia. This week we are called upon to record her death. She peacefully breathed out her life Wednesday morning about ten o'clock.

"Mrs. Stratton was a native of Iowa, having been born near Red Oak, in that state, August 17, 1874. When a child she removed with her parents to Plattsmouth, Neb. On February 28, 1900, she was united in marriage with Alvy M. Stratton, then a resident of Weeping Water, Neb., though a native of this township. In the spring of 1903 they came east and settled in Youngstown. There they resided until four weeks ago when they decided to return to the west and were en route to Topeka, Kan., the present home of Mrs. Stratton's folks.

"Besides the husband, the deceased leaves three small children, two boys and one girl, the oldest being six years of age. Also her mother, two brothers, and four sisters, all of whom reside in the west. She was a member of the First Christian church of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, and was held in high esteem for her high Christian character and many womanly graces by all who knew her.

"Funeral services will be held Saturday morning at 9:30 standard, at the home of John Stratton, on Cherry Fork avenue. Interment will be at the Franklin Square cemetery.

A Quiet Wedding.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Thun southwest of Louisville on Wednesday, March 27 at 8 o'clock a. m., occurred the marriage of Mr. Henry Bluma and Miss Frieda Bruhm, Rev. Jung officiating. The groom is a well known young farmer of this vicinity where he was born and raised and has many friends who will wish him happiness. The bride is unknown to the writer but is said to be an excellent young lady. The young couple will move to their new home near Eagle. The Courier wishes them happiness and prosperity.—Louisville Courier.

Glenwood Defeats Local Team.

The basket ball game between the Glenwood and Plattsmouth high school girls teams last Saturday, the latter was defeated by a score of 36 to 20. The Glenwood team was accompanied by a large number of "rooters," and after the game returned home on the evening train. The plan to have the game played on the High school grounds had to be abandoned on account of the rain; the game was pulled off in Turner hall.

Bitten By a Spider.

Through blood poisoning caused by a spider bite, John Washington of Bosqueville, Tex., would have lost his leg, which became a mass of running sores, had he not been persuaded to try Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes: "The first application relieved, and four boxes healed all the sores." Heals every sore. 25 cents at F. G. Fricke & Co. druggists.

EASTER SUNDAY IN PLATTSMOUTH

The Ever New Story of the Resurrection Told Again at the Churches.

LARGE CONGREGATIONS IN ATTENDANCE

Knights Templar of Mount Zion Commandery Present at the Services at St. Luke's Episcopal

A perfect day—the sun shining brightly and a gentle, fresh wind blowing from the south—was that which greeted this community Easter Sunday, when they assembled at the various places of worship, to give forth the praises and songs of triumph in memory of the greatest event upon which is found the faith of millions.

As Christmas is the day of joy and peace, as Good Friday is the day of sorrow and sympathy, so Easter is the day of triumph in the Christian church throughout the world. It marks the resurrection of Christ from the dead, and the triumph over death.

Every church in Plattsmouth was decked in holiday dress for the occasion. In every church there was the same theme—the same note of undying hope running through the sermon—and hallelujahs were sung in memory of the resurrection of Christ. Elaborate special music was rendered in nearly all the churches by large and ecstatic choirs, and everywhere the musical program was something more than the ordinary.

Every church in the city yesterday that enjoyed a service was privileged to welcome congregations that filled every pew; the majestic music, the abundance of sweet flowers the ever new story of the resurrection, all gave their inspiration to get nearer to God. From a worldly point of view the day was charming for outing, for long walks into the country, for amusements and all but the most staid of church members gave a share of the day to building up their bodily as well as spiritual health. And the new bonnets—an undulating field of flowers in every church and a feast for the artistic eye—were worn in all their beauty and freshness during the delightful day.

The look of gladness and innocence upon the faces of those attending religious services upon this joyous festival, can never be seen upon those of pessimists nor agnostics and this outward and material evidence of an inward peace is surely not of earth nor occasioned by earthly influence.

Christian Church

The decorations consisted of a bank of potted plants in full bloom and a large cross festooned with a beautiful asparagus fern with here and there an Easter lily.

The special numbers by the choir at the morning service were: "Christ Hath Won the Victory" by Hughes, and "Easter Gladness" by Lorenz, and their rendition was perfect. The pastor took for his text, "Christ Hath Risen." His sermon was full of the gladness, hope and thankfulness that should characterize an Easter sermon. He set forth the meaning of these words to men and nations of all ages, showing that this fact was the most momentous one in all history as well as the best authenticated fact connected with the earthly life of Jesus.

In the evening the seating capacity of the church was taxed to accommodate those who came to hear the Bible school program. This program was prepared under the direction Mrs. Zink and Mrs. Chas. Hiatt. It consisted of an Easter cantata. The Gift of the Graces, an anthem, "Hallelujah for the Lord" by the choir and a touching representation of the story of the ten Virgins with song and tableaux. The young people far surpassed anything that they have yet undertaken in the way of a public program. Much credit is due the faithful ladies for the success of the program.

An offering was taken for the orphanage work of the church.

Methodist Episcopal.

In the morning at the Methodist Episcopal church two hundred and fifty Sunday school pupils and teachers presented a beautiful scene in keeping with the glorious Easter day, when graduation with diplomas by four young people from the primary to the junior department occurred. This was a distinguishing feature of the Sunday school exercises. The divine service was very impress-

ive, being interspersed with anthems by an exceptionally large choir, and by vocal solos and duets. The pastor with the text, "The Resurrection of Christ," gave a very forceful argumentative discourse based upon the evidence surrounding the trial, conviction, and crucifixion of Christ.

A sacred concert by a large choir in the evening gave in music and song the story of the crucifixion, resurrection and triumph of the Savior. At all the services the edifice was filled to its capacity by pleased audiences.

St. Paul's Evangelical.

So many people were present Easter morning at the opening service in the St. Paul's Evangelical church, that it was necessary to place chairs in the aisles to accommodate all.

The church was beautifully decorated with palms and lilies, and an excellent musical service was rendered in addition to the thoughtful discourse presented by the pastor, Rev. Langhorst, who during the day confirmed four young people.

St. John's Church.

The Easter services in the St. John's Catholic church were attended by a large congregation, who inspired with hope and gladness, heard the much appreciated sermon delivered by their pastor, Rev. W. F. Bradley. The altars decked with a profusion of Easter lilies were exceedingly beautiful to look upon. The offertory sung by Joseph Droegge and Miss Helen Klein was a feature of the morning worship that elicited many beautiful comments.

St. Luke's Episcopal.

Easter services Sunday morning in the St. Luke's Episcopal church had additional beauty and interest added to them by the presence of nineteen Knights Templar from Mt. Zion commandery No. 5. Interwoven in the music and ritual of the observance were tributes to the work and ideals of this order. When the knights attired in their insignia filed into the edifice and took the reserved position allotted to them, there was not a vacant seat to be had. As is the custom, the sermon was delivered especially to the knights, who were under their past commander, Frances E. White of Omaha. At the conclusion of a very impressive service, the congregation remained seated while the order departed from the church. In the afternoon the pastor, Canon H. B. Burgess, conducted services at the Masonic home, where a large audience was present.

Presbyterian Church.

The Easter services at the Presbyterian church, as in the other churches of the city, were attended by unusually large congregations both in the morning and evening. Around the curving pulpit, a profusion of palms, ferns, and other potted plants were gathered in pleasing array with beautiful Easter lilies interwoven among them.

At both services special music was rendered to large appreciative audiences. Three young people upon confession of their faith, and four by letter, were received into the church. A sermon fraught with many beautiful sentiments, of the ever new story of the resurrection was delivered by the pastor, in a very able and much appreciated manner.

Section Gang Goes on Strike.

A bunch of eleven emigrants from Sunny Italy, who have been employed in the Burlington section gang in this vicinity, went on a strike Thursday because they did not like their foreman, Chas. McQuire, who compelled them to work for their money, and not "soldier." The Italians were shipped to this city from Chicago a few weeks ago, but their work was not satisfactory and it was only by persistent urging that they were kept busy. They drew their pay and departed this morning for Chicago, rather indignant because the railroad company refused to issue them transportation, and forced them to dig up \$12.75 for fare.

Death of David Ross.

The Ledger has received news of the death of David Ross, which occurred March 21, at his home in Los Angeles, Cal., after four days illness. Mr. Ross will be remembered by many of the older citizens of this county, as his home for a number of years was at Rock Bluffs when that was a flourishing little city in bygone days, and there followed the carpenter trade with Robert H. Fitch, who is still a resident of Rock Bluffs precinct. Mr. Ross was a brother of the late Mrs. F. B. Reed, and his wife is a sister of Mrs. J. A. Walker of Murray.—Union Ledger.

OBSERVE LAST RESPECTS

Remains of Cornelius Coffey Arrived From Omaha and Interred in Holy Sepulcher Cemetery

The remains of the late Cornelius Coffey arrived Saturday from Omaha over Burlington train No. 4, and accompanied by a large cortege of relatives and friends were conveyed from the station to the St. John's Catholic church, where the last fitting tributes were observed.

The services were conducted by Rev. W. F. Bradley, after which the funeral procession made its way to the Holy Sepulcher cemetery, where interment was made.

Although the morning was very rainy and disagreeable a large number of our citizens turned out to pay their last tributes to the departed brother and business associate.

The pall bearers were Messrs Frank E. Schlatter, Ed Fitzgerald, Thomas Walling, Robert Mauzy, Pat Egan and T. L. Murphy.

Van Court Gets a Big Contract.

Olaf Lundburg was called to Omaha Monday to confer with Van Court relative to getting out the rock and filling the big contract he captured in Omaha. It involves nearly \$100,000, and is for macadamizing about twelve miles of road in Douglas county. To complete this job it will call for the employment of not less than fifty men and four teams, getting out not less than 200 tons of rock every day from now until the first day of December, and figuring at least twenty-five working days in a month. This means much to Nehawka, and the money it will leave here will run up into the five figures in wages, etc.—Nehawka Register.

Too Many State Institutions.

The large appropriations made by the present legislature should set conservative men to studying the problem of our rapidly increasing state institutions which must be maintained at the expense of the taxpayers. Like the recent session of congress this session of our legislature appropriated the largest sum of money in the legislative history of the state. When inquiry is made as to the application of this vast sum of money the answer is returned that it has been applied largely to the cause of education. There are too many state institutions. The people are over-burdened with taxes to keep them up. Once there is a state institution established there is no limit to raids on the treasury for its support. The people of Nebraska are just beginning to open their eyes to the fact that too much money is being squandered on state institutions.

"Where He Was At"

Just here we would like to ask where Davis of Cass was when the terminal tax bill was up? His constituents have been watching for an expression from him on some of the things he pledged himself to before the election—when he arose in the convention and like a school boy told them "where he was at." And the question they are asking is "where is he now?"—Nehawka Register.

March Mortgage Record.

The record of mortgages filed on farm and city property for the month of March shows that an enormous amount of work has been done during the month past. The following number of instruments with amount opposite were filed

FARM PROPERTY.	
Filed, 34.....	\$158,685.
Released, 45.....	87,723.
CITY PROPERTY.	
Filed, 18.....	\$10,360.
Released, 17.....	8,089.

Queer Work of Nature.

Over in the new stone quarry is a freak of nature that will probably be never witnessed again in the life time of any of the inhabitants of Nehawka and vicinity. It is an oak and cherry tree growing from the same stump. They are perfectly fused together and to all purposes grew from the same root. By what process these trees that are so different in habits came to be linked together will probably not be known. Dame nature cuts some queer antics occasionally. It is well worth a trip over there to see it.—Nehawka Register.

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