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THOUGHT FOR TODAY.

Read the philosophers, and learn how to make life happy; seeking useful precepts and brave and noble words which may become deeds.—Seneca.

Some of the republican papers are still harping on the result of the congressional election in Maine. If they can get any consolation out of a district that polled more democratic votes in the special election than was polled for Wilson last fall, they are certainly easily consoled.

The parcel post system is of great convenience to the public. It fills a long felt want that express companies could not or would not meet. As an adjunct to the rural free delivery alone, it is of inexpressible benefit. That the usefulness of the system will be increased, there is not the shadow of a doubt.

There is considerable complaint regarding the telephone service in this city. We don't know whose fault it is. The service is not nearly so good as was under the administration of the Plattsmouth Telephone company. People have a right to kick if they fail to get first-class service since the rate has been raised.

The most useful, the most reliable and the most profitable of all domestic things are the cow and the hen, whose products are always saleable and always useable by the family. You show us a man who takes good care of a dairy or one who gives his poultry intelligent care, and we will show you a man who runs no store bill and keeps square with the world.

The Plattsmouth people should not forget those outside the county seat who have favored us on various occasions. The way to favor these people is to remember the golden rule: "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." By thus doing we can retain the friendship of those who have befriended us in the past.

Bishop McDowell told the Illinois Methodist ministers in conference that he did not think it necessary to get outside help to stir the town religiously. He insisted that the ancient passions for souls will do the work in the modern stream of life. He asked the ministers if they were doing the work for which they were called, and that did not mean going about the parish peddling humility and drinking tea and gossiping with the sisters. Here is a sensible bishop.

The following sensible and timely article is taken from the Lincoln Herald: "The practice of charivaring is a species of rowdyism that should be condemned and denounced by all good citizens everywhere. Scarcely ever is one of these hoodlum events pulled off but someone is injured, a fight occurs and the public peace disturbed. The fatal shooting of a good wife and mother in southwest Lincoln Monday night ought to be the means of putting an end to this rowdyism. It calls for the passage of a law making charivaring a misdemeanor, if not a felony."

There is too much talk about road building, and not enough of it done. Remember as you pass down the pathway of Time that "Actions speak louder than words" every day in the week.

The federal government is going into the magazine publishing business and will issue a monthly magazine for the benefit of the farmers, the first issue to be out this month. People who want to lick the editor will have to go to Washington to try it.

Cattle, hogs and sheep are becoming scarcer in Germany, and the meat problem more acute. In the last quarter of this year 7,000 fewer oxen were slaughtered than in 1912, 40,000 fewer cows, 11,000 fewer calves of more than three months, 100,000 fewer or less than three months, nearly 700,000 fewer pigs and 6,000 fewer sheep. On the other hand, horses slaughtered for food increased from 43,586 to 48,280, dogs from 2,441 to 2,517, and goats from 111,084 to 131,140.

Illinois is at present taking the lead in experiments with the new methods of handling criminals and denizens of the underworld. The Dixon forty-five honor prisoners from the penitentiary at Joliet, unguarded, are building a road, and their only taciturn exhibition thus far has been their aversion to being photographed and looked at by the curious—a natural and justifiable sentiment. The Dixon test is liable to bring more lasting and permanent results. Recognition of manhood, whether outside or inside of the prison, is bound to bring recompense.

GREAT VILLAIN NOT A PRIEST.

An inspection of the Catholic directory of churches and priests in this country, published annually about January 1 of each year, shows that no such man as Rev. Hans Schmidt had a charge in St. Joseph's church, New York, as published in the newspapers of the country following the atrocious exposure in connection with a man claiming to be Rev. Hans Schmidt. The absence of such a name in the Catholic directory indicates beyond all cavil or doubt that Schmidt is an imposter, and if he was serving as an assistant he was doing so under forged credentials or the stolen credentials of a dead priest. Under the circumstances therefore, together with the statement of Bishop Farley that he did not have such a man serving in his diocese, it should be accepted as true that the imposter is not a priest, and the Catholic church consequently will escape the odium of having such a man listed among its honored ministers. The Catholic world is shocked by the revelations in New York showing the hypocrisy of an alleged priest. How the fiend ever entered the ministry or obtained a place as a priest is a surprise, as the credentials of such a person in the Catholic church are subjected to close scrutiny. Hans Schmidt, if guilty of the offense charged to him, is the most atrocious man of the cloth within the recollection of the oldest living person. It is so rare that a Catholic priest falls from grace and so remarkable that such crimes are committed as charged to Schmidt, that the world is agitated and dumbfounded and caused to wonder what will be the next form of depravity to become public.

Criticizing the democratic administration unfavorably seems to be a pastime with some republican papers. Such papers never have the respect or confidence of the public.

After permitting the corn crop to be badly injured by drouth, President Wilson sent rain last week nad cooled the atmosphere delightfully. Why didn't he do it sooner?

The United States bureau of chemistry says frozen eggs are a good, safe food, provided the eggs were fresh when frozen. Any old woman could have told us the same thing without a big salary attached.

Some republicans have lost faith in prayer. Ever since Woodrow Wilson became president they have prayed loud and long for a financial panic, but it refuses to come. The Bible speaks something about the prayers of the wicked.

The suffragists of this country could have made many new friends to their cause if they had informed Mrs. Pankhurst in advance that they could "paddle their own canoe" in the United States without her assistance. The people of this country will stand no such monkey business as has been inaugurated in England.

ALL SUBJECT TO MISTAKES.

We have noticed a number of squibs in our exchanges regarding mistakes. These items lead us to believe that other duffers besides editors are subject to the malady. The editor's mistakes stand out more conspicuously than most other professional men's because every issue of his paper is an open letter to the public. A fellow may happen along and inform his neighbor that there is a new set of twins at Hick's place, and later it develops that the twins were a boy and one pays any attention to the originator of the false rumor. But should it appear in the paper as originally reported the father will in all probability be down and exchange bullet courtesies with the editor. Again when the village belle chances to get tied up to some worthless cuss, whose only qualifications are that he can chew tobacco and relate suggestive stories, the whole town may with impunity review the past history of the two. But if the editor happens to spell the groom's name with an "o" instead of an "a" and overlook to record the fact that the bride is a member in good standing of the Ladies' Aid society they both would be insulted and mercilessly flay the editor and his gimlet.

"What is strange about the mistakes of the newspaper men is the fact that no matter how many errors he makes in lying about another man's qualities he never lays himself liable to be punctured with a thirty-two or lynch-ed. Indeed, it is a funny old world. Everybody makes mistakes. The only ones who never make them are slumbering in the cemeteries—and it is not unlikely that some of them are there because the doctors also make mistakes. A man often makes a mistake in marrying when he should have taken a post graduate course in how to support himself. A fine woman often is inferior when she wants to throw herself away on some fool who can sing coon songs like Caruso, but couldn't make a noise like a loaf of bread to save his life. A boy makes a mistake when he thinks he knows more than the entire staff of teachers. The world is plumb full of mistakes and mistake makers. If the newspaper man should take the pains to record them all he would make the mistake of his life and die on the bed of the press with his shirt sleeves rolled up and his boots on.

Wait until the country has had ample time to get acquainted with the new tariff, and those who have been condemning its adoption will be willing to acknowledge that the common people will reap the benefit of a reformed tariff.

The Beemer Times strikes a key note in the following, and speaks the truth in doing so: "Billy Sunday has just received \$10,000 for saving souls at South Bend, Ind. This same amount of money put where it ought to be put would have accomplished more good. But the people who scream with horror when he asked to give a dollar to the local minister—the man who faithfully baptizes the babies, marries the sons and daughters and buries the beloved dead—will become so enamored of Billy Sunday's abuse they will gladly part with their last cent to fill his already stuffed purse. The local ministers in most all towns are underpaid and some of them have a hard time getting what is coming to them. This is a funny old world and the traveling evangelist gets the coin." There is not a particle of religion in such men as Billy Sunday, and why communities are so willing to invest big money in such gadabouts, to the detriment of ministers of their own communities, we are unable to perceive.

THIS APPLIES TO ALL TOWNS.

R. V. Sparks, agent of the Burlington, recently wrote a letter to his home newspaper. This letter is of such importance and covers a subject that has been so widely discussed here that it publication surely can do no harm, so here it is:

Every day averages 14 persons killed in the United States while trespassing on the railroads. Not passengers, not employees, not people on public crossings, but trespassers—persons who have no right whatever to be on the railroad right-of-way. These fatal accidents are scattered so far and wide that little thought is given to it by most people. Two or three of the trespassers killed daily are minors, under 14 years of age—two or three little children killed every day—think of it! Railroad stations, trains and yards seem to have a great attraction for children and young folks, where there is always great danger of some accident befalling them. A great many parents do not seem to think of this and let their children go to the railroad yards to play, and to the station when the train comes in, and become incensed when the employees try to keep them from doing this.

There are quite a number of children in Fairmont who do this and who are warned to keep away and not play around the yards and station. This article is written as an appeal to parents and others interested, to co-operate with the railroad company and its employees to prevent such accidents. It is only for the safety of your own children that we ask this co-operation and we feel sure that your interest in your own children will lead you to do all in your power to prevent accidents.

Quite recently I heard that on the railroad a little boy 10 years old had his leg crushed, necessitating amputation above the knee, and this happened because he was trying to jump onto moving freight cars. Still more recent is the case of a 12-year-old boy who was riding on the bumpers of a car and had his foot mashed off. He was not trying to beat his way, but was a town boy amusing himself by playing around the cars. Last winter a little girl picking up coal in one of our freight yards, was run down and fatally injured. And I could cite other similar tragedies. In many a town and village there is some little fellow hopping around on one leg, or doing the best he can with one arm, crippled for life because he played around tracks and cars. And in many a cemetery are little graves to commemorate the thoughtfulness of those who should have kept their children from the danger of railroad trespassing.

Surely, we in Fairmont, do not want any such fearful accident to happen here to one of our own people or children, and we will not need any such object lesson if we all do our part.

Local News

From Tuesday's Daily.

Frank Wheeler of Nebraska City came up last evening to make a short visit here with friends for a few days.

A. R. Thompson and wife of Brush, Colorado, arrived last evening on No. 2 for a short visit here with Joseph Thompson and family.

Frank P. Sheldon of Nehawka was in the city yesterday for a few hours looking after some business matters at the court house.

Mrs. John Hirz returned last evening on No. 2 from Salt Lake City, where she had been visiting at the J. V. Egenberger home in that city.

Mrs. W. W. Glenn of Wymore, Neb., who has been the guest of Mrs. E. C. Hill and family for a short time, departed this morning for her home.

Thomas Ruby, wife and little son motored up this morning from their home near Mynard to attend to some business matters for a few hours.

Mrs. T. J. Hennessy of Missouri Valley, Iowa, who has been here visiting with her brother, N. P. Shultz and family, departed for her home this afternoon.

Ray Travis of the United States bank of Omaha came down this afternoon on No. 24, being called here by the serious illness of his father, Judge Harvey D. Travis.

Mrs. Joseph Altman and little son returned this morning on No. 15 from Chicago, where they have been visiting for a few weeks with relatives and friends.

Mrs. David Hawksworth returned home last evening from Lincoln, where she had been visiting for a short time at the home of her son, Fred Hawksworth and family.

Roy Thompson arrived this morning on No. 6 from Broken Bow, Neb., and he will make a visit here for a short time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thompson.

Albert J. Schnetzky and wife of Stanton, Neb., arrived last evening on No. 2 and will visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Ira Bates, south of this city, for a short time.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Burgess of Cedar Rapids, Neb., and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thegeson of Nebraska City were over Sunday visitors in this city, being guests at the A. W. White home.

Mrs. I. F. Bates, who has been spending the last few months in Idaho on an extended visit with relatives and friends, returned home last evening, feeling much improved in health.

George P. Foreman, one of the prominent citizens of Alvo, was in the city today for a short time, and while here called at the Journal office to visit for a few minutes, and his call was much enjoyed.

August Pautsch of Wabash and William A. Cleghorn of Louisville were in the city today for a few hours looking after matters at the court house, and while in the city Mr. Pautsch paid the Journal office a brief but very pleasant call.

B. J. Reynolds and daughter, Miss Jennie, and son, Joe, of Gretna, and Edward Reynolds and wife of Havelock departed this morning for Thurman, Iowa, where they were called by the death of the father-in-law of Mr. B. J. Reynolds.

Don Seivers and sister, Mrs. E. J. Tuoy, departed last evening for Owatonna, Minnesota, where they will attend the wedding of their brother, Jennings Seivers, to Miss Ella Frank. The wedding will occur Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents.

Misses Lizzie and Sophia Kraeger and their brother, Will, of the vicinity of Mynard, were visitors in this city yesterday afternoon, bringing Mr. and Mrs. C. Mesler of Denver in to take the 3:20 train over the Burlington. Mr. and Mrs. Mesler were called here on account of the illness and death of Mrs. Mesler's brother, Henry Kraeger, and they returned to their home at Denver yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. J. S. Wendell was a passenger this afternoon for Council Bluffs to visit with friends for a few days.

John Swartz departed this afternoon for Angora, Neb., where he will visit his sister at that place for a few days.

From Monday's Daily.
W. R. Holly departed last evening for Chicago, where he will visit for a week with friends, and goes from there to Racine, Wisconsin, to spend a few days with relatives in that city.

A. W. Fisher of Loveland, Colorado, an uncle of Dr. E. W. Cook, came in Saturday evening from an extended eastern trip and spent Sunday here with his nephew and family, departing this afternoon for his home.

France Balance and E. H. Schulhof were passengers this morning on No. 6 for Glenwood, Mr. Balance having visited here over Sunday, while Mr. Schulhof will spend the day there looking after some business matters.

George P. Barton of Union was in the city today for a few hours en route from his home to Omaha, where he will spend the day. Mrs. Barton was a passenger for the metropolis on the early Missouri Pacific train.

John Chapman and wife of Lincoln came in yesterday afternoon and visited over Sunday with relatives, Mr. Chapman going out on his run over the Burlington this morning, while Mrs. Chapman will remain for a more extended visit.

B. J. Reynolds received word of the death of his father-in-law, Mr. J. P. Hume, of Thurman, Iowa, this morning at 2 o'clock. This makes the third death in the Hume family in three years—Grandmother Hume, Mrs. B. J. Reynolds, a daughter, and Grandfather Hume.

Claude Seivers came in yesterday morning from his duties as a traveling representative of a moving picture company, and spent the day here with his parents, James Seivers and wife, departing on No. 2 for St. Louis, where he will look after some business matters.

Mrs. Minnie Spore, a returned missionary from China, where she spent several years in the work of advancing the people of that country, and who has been visiting for the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wiles, southeast of this city, departed this morning for Omaha.

P. H. Meisinger was in the city Saturday for a few hours looking after some trading with the merchants.

W. G. Meisinger was among the shoppers for the country in the city Saturday, driving in from his home near Cedar Creek.

Raymond Larson was a passenger to Union yesterday morning, where he spent the day with his sister, Mrs. R. E. Foster and family.

F. J. Hennings and wife were in the city Saturday for a few hours, coming in to attend to some matters of business for a short time.

Miss Violet Dodge returned this morning to Missouri Valley, Iowa, after an over Sunday visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge.

Editor C. L. Graves of the Union Ledger came up last evening on the 7:45 Missouri Pacific and will attend to some matters at the court house today.

Mrs. J. F. Eischeidt and children of Wymore, who have been here for a few days visiting at the home of Mrs. Dan Moore, the mother of Mrs. Eischeidt, departed this morning for their home.

John Carmack arrived Saturday evening from Iowa City, Iowa, his home, to join his wife and little son, who have been visiting here at the home of the parents of Mrs. Carmack, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kunsmann.

Mrs. Ivon White and son, Mark White and wife, were in the city today for a short time looking after some business matters. Mr. White leaves tonight for Kansas City, where he will enter the Thornton & Miner sanitarium in that city for treatment.

You will find the most complete line of stationery in the city of Plattsmouth at the Journal office. The finest line of box paper, visiting and calling cards.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

SPECIAL!

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

We will place on sale one dozen Wizard Triangle Polish Mops. These mops retail at \$1.50 each. We are going to give you a full quart of oil with each mop free of charge for these two days only. Then the oil will cost you 85c a quart. So now is the time to try one of these mops on first approval. The triangle shape of it in the corners and will take all the dust out places where the round mop can not reach. For only two days you can get \$2.35 worth for the price of the mop.

Now is the time to get that vacuum sweeper special at \$6.98.

Oil cloths and linoleum for putting under the stove in 4-4, 6-4, 8-4, always on hand.

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