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## THE AGONY IS OVER.

Wm. K. Fox Is Chosen to Serve the Patrons of the Local Office.

### GIVES GENERAL SATISFACTION.

District Court is in Session—A Strict Quarantine Will be Established Over the Backus Family, Afflicted with Small Pox—Other Items.

#### Fox Plucks the Postoffice Plum.

The question, "who will be Plattsmouth's democratic postmaster?" was definitely settled last Wednesday, when a telegram was received from Washington announcing that the president had decided the question in favor of W. K. Fox. News of the appointment was not a surprise, in view of the fact that National Committee-man Castor had a few days ago announced that the president would decide in Mr. Fox's favor.

The appointment will undoubtedly give universal satisfaction to the patrons of the local postoffice, because of the popularity and well-known business integrity and ability of the man who has been selected to serve them as postmaster. From a political standpoint the appointment will also give satisfaction to the party rank and file, because Mr. Fox's democracy has never been doubted. Democrats generally, without regard to factional differences, will be pleased to see the local office filled by a member of their party, and will be glad that the race for the position has been decided.

The newly-appointed postmaster will assume charge of the office as soon as the many details can be attended to, and before June 1, Plattsmouth will have a democratic postmaster.

Wm. K. Fox, next postmaster of Plattsmouth, first saw the light of day in the year 1860, in Callaway county, in the good old democratic commonwealth of Missouri. On November 1, 1840, he removed with his parents to this city, which has ever since been his home. Here his father opened a law office, and afterwards became editor of the Cass County Democrat, which position he filled until his death in 1872. The boyhood days of the next postmaster were passed in Plattsmouth, and here he grew to man's estate. In 1880 he entered the employ of F. S. White, which position he holds today, with fourteen years faithful service to his credit. In 1888 he received the democratic nomination for city clerk, to which position he was elected by four majorities, when the head of the ticket and several of his fellow candidates went down in defeat. In 1890 he was re-elected city clerk by a majority of 255, and again in 1892 he was re-elected by the largest majority received by any successful candidate that year, and among the largest ever given any candidate at a municipal election in Plattsmouth. Last week he turned over his office to his successor, after serving the city for three successive terms, or six years, as clerk, during which time he has justly earned a reputation for being pains-taking and always courteous and obliging. His administration of the affairs of the city clerk's office has never been excelled by his predecessors, and his good record in that office proves that he will be a fit successor to Capt. Marshall, J. N. Wise and H. J. Straight in the local postoffice.

#### Will Take a New Start

The Bonacum-Corbett case was dismissed without prejudice by Judge Chapman on Monday at the request of plaintiff, and thus Corbett wins the first round. The reason generally assigned for such proceedings on the part of plaintiff is that counsel for the bishop feared the outcome of the issue raised by Attorney Warren regarding the legality of the injunction restraining Corbett from holding services in the Catholic church at Palmyra. This injunction was issued by Judge Chapman in the county of Cass, and was served on Corbett without being filed in the office of the clerk of the court in Otoe county, thus raising a question of jurisdiction. This question was raised by Attorney Warren, and the judge took the matter under advisement. Rather than await the decision Attorney Sullivan concluded to have the case dismissed, and then proceed to reopen it again by filing a new petition and asking for an injunction, which was granted. The new case was commenced in Otoe county, and the case will be tried there. Attorney Sullivan was at Nebraska City Monday and filed the papers, and the new injunction has probably been served. The dismissal of the first case also causes the dismissal of the Corbett contempt case.

#### Will Have Them Quarantined.

Dr. J. H. Hall and Policeman Fitzpatrick went over into the Iowa bottoms Tuesday to investigate the case of small-pox reported at the home of a family named Backus, mention of which was made in Monday evening's paper. The doctor found that Mrs. Backus was sick with the dread disease, and that the other parties living in the house—her husband and a man named

King and a daughter of the latter—were not vaccinated, and if not quarantined were liable to spread the contagion among the other residents of the bottoms.

The doctor reported the result of his investigations to the mayor and board of Pacific Junction, and these officials assured him that the infected premises would be strictly quarantined.

#### District Court Convenes.

Judge Chapman convened the May term of district court at ten o'clock Tuesday morning, and the calling of the docket, which includes some two hundred cases, was immediately commenced.

The divorce case of George Lohnes vs. Margaret Lohnes was called up and a decree was granted the plaintiff, which also gave him the custody of the two children.

In the suit of the Commercial Bank of Weeping Water vs. Arthur Cross, evidence was submitted and a judgment accorded the plaintiff for the sum of \$7,201.51. No further business was transacted during the afternoon except to finish the calling of the docket.

#### Railroad Valuations.

The state board of equalization, in session at the state capital for several days, completed the work Tuesday of fixing the valuation of the railroads in Nebraska.

Few changes were made in the valuations, except slight changes on the main lines. The Omaha & Southern, a part of the Missouri Pacific running south from Omaha and through this city, has become a main line since last year, and its valuation has been increased from \$3,000 to \$5,500 per mile. The reductions over last year are as follows: B. & M., \$11,500 to \$11,250 per mile; Union Pacific, \$11,000 to \$10,500; Missouri Pacific, \$5,250 to \$5,000; Sioux City, O'Neil & Western, \$4,000 to \$3,500. The Omaha Southern only was increased. The total mileage in the state is 554,252, and the total valuation is \$27,930,178.00, thus making the average valuation per mile \$50,488.

#### Land Office Appointments.

The president made the following appointments of officers of Nebraska land offices yesterday: Ambrose S. Campbell, register at McCook; Patrick Gibbons, receiver at McCook; Elmer Williams, receiver at O'Neill, and Wm. B. Morrison, receiver at Lincoln. Morrison's appointment was recommended by Congressman Bryan, and the remainder are credited to Committeeman Castor.

#### That Nebraska City Time Card.

Driving to the county seat will become quite popular now, since the Missouri Pacific railway has revised its time table to benefit Nebraska City. The following from the Weeping Water Eagle needs no further comment: "City Attorney Douglas, ex-Mayor Adams, Attorney J. H. Haldeman and T. M. Howard, of the Commercial bank, drove to Plattsmouth yesterday on court business."

The Nebraska City News says: "Sheriff Jos. Huberle, who was at Palmyra yesterday, seems to think that despite the injunction served on Father Corbett by him as sheriff, on the order of the district court, there will be trouble at Palmyra next Sunday when Rev. Father Smith goes out there to hold services. The Catholic church at that place has been locked up, and it is thought by Father Corbett's friends, Sheriff Huberle says that this seems to be the opinion of those who reside in and about Palmyra, and who claim to know the true feeling over the matter."

The wages of the section men on the Missouri Pacific have been cut from \$1.50 to \$1 per day, and the amount set aside for each section by the company has been limited to \$160 per month. When that amount has been used the foreman lays off his men the rest of the month. This is retrenching with a vengeance.—Falls City News.

Nebraska City proposes to celebrate the nation's anniversary in a truly royal fashion, and THE JOURNAL opines that if the Nebraska City people make the proper arrangements Plattsmouth will send down a big delegation to assist in the screaming.

The News congratulates Matt Gering on his appointment. If he could not secure the office of United States district attorney he got the next best office—first assistant.—Nebraska City News.

Old gold or silver bought or taken in exchange for goods. A. L. COLEMAN.

## A MYSTERIOUS DEATH

Will Long, of Mynard, Is Found Lying Dead in a Stable.

### CUT OF FIVE AND TEN PER CENT

In Teachers' Salaries Is the Result—The New Order Will Mean a Saving of Twelve Hundred Dollars—Other News Items.

#### Found Dead in the Stable.

Will Long, a son of S. I. Long, living in the vicinity of Mynard, was discovered lying dead in the stable Friday evening. At noon Friday he accompanied the men to the field to begin the afternoon's work. Shortly afterwards, while talking with one of the men, he said that he was going to the house to shell some seed corn. During the afternoon a young lady who lives at Long's went out to the stable to gather the eggs, and noticed Will lying in the stable, apparently asleep. In a playful mood she threw a corn cob at him, but he did not awaken. She procured the eggs and returned to the house, and nothing further was seen or heard of him until supper time, when the men returned from the field and found him still lying in the stable. They also supposed him to be asleep, and called to him that it was supper time, but he paid no attention to the call, and then one of the men shook him to awaken him, when he was horrified to discover that life had departed and the body was cold in death.

#### School Board Meeting.

The board of education was in session on Tuesday afternoon, the purpose of which was to select teachers for the coming school year. The meeting was a lengthy one for several reasons, the principal contention being on the salary question, and after a long discussion the board decreed that the teachers must work for less money than has been paid during the present year. The cut will effect the salaries which reached or exceeded \$45 to the tune of ten per cent, while five per cent was ordered lopped off the salaries below \$45. None were spared, the snickersnee effecting the superintendent as well as the poorest paid teacher in the schools.

The salary question disposed of, the selection of instructors was taken up and resulted in the choice of the following:

Superintendent, F. C. McClelland; principal, W. N. Halsey; penmanship instructor, Miss McGowan; teachers, Mary McClelland, Aldora Clark, Addie Searl, Sallie Thomas, Cora Cook, Mary Jamison, Edna Adams, Mary Wigton, Ella Wright, Nannie Sherman, Margaret Wright, Alice Mann, Teresa Hempel, Florence Richardson, Myrta Porter, Annie Heisel, Mary Shepherd, Mattie Williams, Myrtle Purdy, Alice Wilson, Olive Gass, Alberta Hyers and Mabel Hayes. All of the above are at present occupying positions in the schools, and their re-election leaves the corps lacking two of completion, providing that all are willing to accept the cut.

#### War Horses Fear Bryan.

"I notice the Chicago Times is endeavoring to defend Congressman Bryan in his fight with party enemies in Nebraska," said a staid old Jacksonian yesterday. "It seems a trifle unfortunate, however, that a man as able as Bryan is must go so far from home to find a champion. His friends here want him to run for governor, while the Mortonian wing of the party is seeking his political destruction. I have heard that Bryan is in a quandary—he does not today know whether he shall run for governor or stand for re-election to congress. Success in either direction, his friends urge, would make him an eligible candidate for the United States senate next winter to succeed Senator Manderson. The old democratic war horses fear Bryan, and are doing all they can to smother him."—Omaha Bee.

Agent Stoutenborough of the M. P. reports that the freight rates from St. Louis to this point have been cut from 55 cents to 15 cents per hundred for first-class freight, while all other classes have been cut to correspond. The new rates take effect Saturday and will doubtless result in the moving of considerable merchandise all along the line.

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Men's Black Shirts	1.25
Men's Dress Shirts	1.50
Men's Fur Hats	2.00
Men's wool Hats	.75
Men's Straw Hats	.65
Men's working Gloves	.65
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Fine Calf Shoes	2.50
Men's light colored Cassimer Suits	\$5.00
Men's Business Suits	4.35
Men's Black Coatscrew Suits	8.75
Boys' Suits	3.65
Children's Suits	1.65
Men's working Pants	.90
Men's Jeans Pants	.85
Children's Pants	.25
Men's Merino Underwear	.45
Men's working Shirts	.25
Men's Black Shirts	.85
Men's Dress Shirts	1.10
Men's Fur Hats	1.10
Men's wool Hats	.45
Men's Straw Hats	.25
Men's working Gloves	.35
Flow Shoes	.85
Fine Calf Shoes	1.65

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N. B.—Bring this circular with you. We will allow 25c in Merchandise for the same.

#### Nehawka's Bright Prospects.

Nehawka promises to be a booming town for the next several months. The firm of Van Court & Lemist, owners of the big Nehawka rock quarries, have contracted to deliver 3,000 cars of crushed stone for the building of the Douglas county roads. This will give employment to a large number of men and will keep the village of Nehawka lively during the summer.

The firm of Van Court & Rood have put their lime kilns in good working order and burned a few cars of lime. They have bought 700 cords of wood, stripped a big lot of rock and are prepared to burn 30,000 barrels of lime this season.

#### What the School Children Cost.

THE JOURNAL has already printed a table showing the average yearly cost per pupil in the public schools of the principle towns in the state, but in view of the cut in teachers' salaries recently ordered by the Plattsmouth board of education, the figures may again be of interest. Here they are: Lincoln, \$26.98; Beatrice, \$23.79; Grand Island, \$26.05; Nebraska City, \$28.88; South Omaha, \$27.20; Kearney, \$25.16; Fremont, \$25.95; Hastings, \$23.90; Crete, \$17.93; Plattsmouth, \$16.

The general passenger agent of the Missouri Pacific need not wonder much if the receipts from the sale of passenger tickets falls off at the stations in Cass county. Any railroad company which would put on such an abominable time-table deserves to lose by the change.

## Spring, House-Cleaning and New Furniture

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The state contest of the High School Declamatory union will be held in Love's opera house in Fremont on May 11. The cities which will be represented are: Ashland, Aurora, Blair, Fremont, Greeley, Humboldt, Minden, Plattsmouth, Pawnee City and York.

Blue-grass seed at McCourt's.

Pat Dore spent Sunday in Havelock again this week. He reports good sales again in Cass county last week and good living. Pat is stuck on country grub and says he never patronizes hotels when he can procure entertainment from an agriculturist.—Havelock Mechanic.

Silver novelties at A. L. Coleman's.