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NOTES AND JOTTINGS.

A Miscellaneous Array of Items of Interest to "Journal" Readers.

AT THE COUNTY INSTITUTE.

Cass County Teachers Having An Instructive Annual Session—Murderer Carleton's Death Warrant—Other Happenings.

Things At the Institute.

WEeping Water, Neb., Thursday, March 28, 1895.—(Special correspondence to THE JOURNAL.)—After the singing, in which all participated freely, Ex-Supt. Noble conducted the morning chapel exercises. Shortly after the session opened the news spread rapidly that Mr. Franz, a member from Union, had met with a serious accident. While coasting on his bicycle, he was suddenly thrown from his wheel, the fall breaking his leg just above the ankle. He was taken to Dr. Thomas' office and the broken limb carefully set and bandaged. He will return to Union as soon as his condition permits.

The regular morning classes were carried on uninterrupted, many of the patrons of the city being present to note the work as it progresses.

After the regular afternoon lectures, Prof. W. H. Clemens of Fremont Normal College gave a very pleasant talk to teachers, in which he urged upon those present the supreme necessity of purity of life and steadfastness of character in order that the impress of their own lives might be left for all time on the lives and characters of their pupils. Then Dr. Bigsby conducted the query box for a half hour, during which many questions of interest and profit were freely discussed and answered. Many prominent visitors from other counties are noticeable.

In order that the teachers might enjoy an evening of pleasant diversion, free from routine institute work, the annual high school contest was held in the evening in the Congregational church. A large number of the teachers availed themselves of this opportunity and all express favorable comment upon the creditable manner in which the contestants acquitted themselves. Miss Dot Girardet will represent the Weeping Water high school in the coming district contest at Plattsmouth.

WEeping Water, Neb., March 29, 1895.—[Special correspondence to THE JOURNAL.]—The regular morning classes were held as usual except that during Dr. Bigsby's second period he conducted a query box. Many questions of vital import to the teachers were discussed. The two afternoon lectures concluded the series, after which Supt. Farley made a few appropriate closing remarks.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS: It was deemed best by County Supt. Farley to change the plan of conducting the institute, and

WHEREAS: The change from the customary academic to pedagogical system has most fully met the practical needs of the teachers, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That we, the teachers of Cass county, heartily endorse the plan, and that we do in this public manner, express our unanimous appreciation of the institute management in serving as instructors men of such recognized ability.

MORGAN LEMASTERS,
GEO. C. REED,
MISS WORT,
Council.

The closing scene in the institute was the evening lecture by Dr. Bigsby entitled, "Marie Antoinette." The lecture was strong in characterization and description and one could have heard the church clock ticking on the wall as the doctor traced the remarkable career of this great French heroine from birth to her tragic death.

Thus closed a successful institute, the success of which is testified to by visitors and participants. Below are a few of the opinions gleaned casually by your correspondent.

Ed J. Miller of Lincoln: "This is the best institute I have ever attended in Nebraska. The teachers are exceptionally responsive and enthusiastic."

Ex-Supt. Noble: "Like the lecture plan and one week spring institute very much."

Pres. W. H. Clemens of Fremont Normal: "Am most highly pleased with the institute both as to time of

holding, interest shown and the management in general."

Supt. S. E. Clark of Saunders county: "Am very favorably impressed with the whole arrangement of the institute."

Supt. J. W. Crabtree of Ashland: "This is the best institute I have ever attended—and I have attended a good many—for this reason: The lecture system supplants the old plan."

Prin. F. C. Taylor of Weeping Water Academy: "Never saw plan in vogue before, but am heartily in sympathy with it because a few cardinal ideas are so emphatically presented."

OBITUARY.

DIED.—At her home, at 569 Marble street, in this city, at 10:30 o'clock on Monday night last, Mrs. Lettie Johnson, widow of the late O. F. Johnson, of typhoid fever, after a brief illness.

Ten days ago the community was called upon to lay away in the tomb the husband, and now, sadder still, the wife follows—and from the same fell destroyer. For months deceased, with her husband, watched and waited at the bedside of their son, Hallie, who was and is still a sufferer from this malady; and when the boy grew better and was able to sit up the husband fell sick, and the faithful wife, almost worn out by her nightly and daily vigils, added to her sacrifices by waiting on him until he passed away, when she herself succumbed to an attack from the disease, and after a week of intense suffering gave up her life—a martyr to the care of those she loved.

Were it not for the well-known contagious and fatal character of typhoid fever, one might almost imagine that some curse had fallen upon this family—so severely have they suffered.

Mrs. Johnson was the daughter of Jacob Klepser of Nebraska City, and a sister of Mrs. J. D. Sampson, so long a resident of this city, and was a woman of rare kindness of heart and the possessor of many christian graces. She was a devoted member St. Luke's Episcopal church, and the funeral services were held in that church Wednesday afternoon, Rev. H. B. Burgess, the pastor officiating. The body was followed to Oak Hill cemetery by a large line of carriages, and deposited in a grave beside her husband.

Mrs. Johnson leaves her son, Hallie, still upon a sick bed, and a daughter, Mrs. G. F. S. Burton, of Pacific Junction, who has been for weeks in attendance upon her mother.

Margaret Fliesher, wife of Jacob Seybert, of Cullom, Cass county, was born in Highland county, Virginia, Jan. 12, 1827, and died March 28, 1895, aged sixty-eight years, two months and sixteen days.

The deceased was married to Jacob Seybert in the year 1851, in Virginia, where they resided for about seventeen years. In 1868 they came to Nebraska and settled on a farm near Cullom, not far from Plattsmouth, where they have lived ever since.

To them were born seven children, five of whom live to mourn the death of a loving and devoted mother. The children living are Mrs. Sarah Page, Camden, Susie, Andrew and William—all of whom reside in this county.

The deceased experienced religion over forty years ago and became a member of the M. E. church. During her last sickness she knew that her end was drawing near, and exclaimed, "I have nothing to fear; there is no dark river to cross."

The funeral services took place at her home, conducted by Rev. P. Van Fleet, who preached an appropriate sermon from the text, "O, death, where is thy sting; O, grave, where is thy victory?"

A great concourse of neighbors and friends followed her remains to the Eight Mile Grove cemetery, where her body sleeps until the general awakening.

Carleton's Death Warrant.

The death warrant of Carleton, the Dodge county murderer, in the form of an order directing execution of the sentence of the district court, was prepared Thursday by Clerk Campbell of the supreme court. It is to be sent by mail to Sheriff Milliken at Fremont. The date of execution is April 26 and unless Governor Holcomb interferes, Carleton will breathe his last on that day. Friends have been interceding in his behalf ever since the supreme court affirmed judgment of the lower court. His case was thoroughly considered by the supreme court, a re-argument having been granted and the facts reheard a second time.

\$100,000 to loan. National Exchange Co. See adv'l. another column. 14.

WAS QUITE COMPLETE

Plattsmouth Democracy Elected Almost Everything In Sight.

SCHOOL BOARD CONTEST A TIE.

In the Councilmanic Fight Every Ward In the City Returns a Democrat—A Victory For Sound Municipal Government—Notes.

The Plattsmouth democracy gained almost a complete victory in yesterday's contest at the polls. The result does not necessarily prove that the democracy has won permanent recruits at the expense of the opposition, but rather it demonstrates that the people are more interested in a sound municipal government than party, and that they will forsake their party candidates when the opposition has presented men more competent to care for the city's government. As a whole the democratic majority on the councilmanic ticket was over two hundred, but it deserved to be so. Every ward in the town returned a democratic councilman and in every instance the party candidate well deserved an election. Not so with the republican nominees, for taken as a whole their ticket was manifestly weak and the conscientious tax-payer could not give the ticket his support. The result should teach the republicans of this city a lesson, and the local democracy is well pleased in being able to administer it.

In the school board contest honors are even—one democrat and one republican being chosen. The defeat of Mrs. Stoutenborough is accepted with much regret by many, but the women, whose interest in the schools deserves to be acknowledged by everybody, expect to nominate one of their sex next year and will again ask the support of voters for their candidate.

The vote in the several wards was as follows:

FIRST WARD.
For councilman—
W. J. White, democrat.....100
J. L. Root, republican.....47
Plurality for White.....53
For school board—
C. D. Cummins.....78
Geo. Houseworth.....95
J. L. Root.....103
Mrs. Stoutenborough.....75

SECOND WARD.
For councilman—
C. D. Grimes, democrat.....162
P. D. Bates, republican.....80
Plurality for Grimes.....82
For school board—
C. D. Cummins.....132
Geo. Houseworth.....150
J. L. Root.....198
Mrs. Stoutenborough.....125

THIRD WARD.
For councilman—
C. C. Parmele, democrat.....118
J. W. Bridge, republican.....112
Plurality for Parmele.....6
For school board—
C. D. Cummins.....158
Geo. Houseworth.....196
J. L. Root.....144
Mrs. Stoutenborough.....138

FOURTH WARD.
For councilman—
Jno. A. Gutsche, democrat.....126
Chas. Hassman, republican.....73
Plurality for Gutsche.....53
For school board—
C. D. Cummins.....113
Geo. Houseworth.....112
J. L. Root.....100
Mrs. Stoutenborough.....76

FIFTH WARD.
For councilman—
J. W. Barwick, democrat.....61
A. J. Graves, republican.....51
Plurality for Barwick.....10
For school board—
C. D. Cummins.....79
Geo. Houseworth.....56
J. L. Root.....61
Mrs. Stoutenborough.....72

TOTAL FOR SCHOOL BOARD.
C. D. Cummins, democrat.....569
Geo. Houseworth, republican.....543
J. L. Root, republican.....606
Mrs. Stoutenborough, democrat.....486
Plurality for Cummins.....17
Plurality for Root.....130

NOTES OF THE FRAY.

Charley Grimes didn't receive a vote in the Third ward. This is Mr. Bates' only solace.

The women could have mustered two hundred more votes had they conducted the campaign systematically.

Messrs. Steimker and Hinshaw will be awfully lonesome in the city council for the next year. Two republicans out of ten councilmen will represent their showing.

The number of women who voted yesterday for school board candidates is estimated at slightly over two hundred. With the proper effort it could have been four hundred.

Mr. Graves was over-confident. Be-

sides he served as a member of the Fifth ward election board, which of itself would bar him from qualifying even if he secured a majority.

The result in the Fifth ward surprised some people, but Mr. Barwick is the kind of a man to make an excellent councilman and the people of his ward will find that they made no mistake.

In spite of an adverse majority of at least sixty, Charles Parmele pulled through in the Third, and it was the hottest fight of any in the town. In Mr. Parmele the people of the Third ward will be well represented.

Too much credit can hardly be given to Mr. E. E. Ruffner for the quiet, yet effective, organization which he got together just a day or two before election. He is a veteran who knows a thing or two.

Walter White faced a hot fire in the First ward all day long, but he secured the support of the better element and came out with flying colors. In every particular Mr. White was his opponent's superior and his election was eminently just.

The majority accorded Chas. Grimes in the Second was a splendid one and demonstrated that the people of his ward are well satisfied with his councilmanic record. It will take exceptionally strong timber to even make a close race against him.

Jno. Gutsche is no experiment; he has served a term in the council and the people know him to be sound on every municipal question. His victory over Mr. Hassman was complete, but it is seriously doubtful whether Mr. H. will take a tumble that the voters of the Fourth ward do not wish him to represent them in the city council.

AROUND THE COURT ROOMS.

DISTRICT COURT.

Sheriff Eikenbary has filed his appeal in district court from the allowance of \$100 made him by the county commissioners for conducting the execution of Harry Hill four weeks ago today. The sheriff claims that \$500 is a just remuneration for the job and he accordingly seeks to recover that amount. Byron Clark is the sheriff's attorney.

COUNTY COURT.

Yesterday afternoon the officiated Mr. Chas. Chriswiser and Miss Emma Campbell. The groom is a son of Benoit Chriswiser, one of Cass county's best known farmers and a resident of Rock Bluffs precinct. They will make their home on the groom's farm, which adjoins that of his father's. THE JOURNAL extends its heartiest congratulations.

COURT ROOM NOTES.

The county commissioners concluded their labors today for their April session and adjourned.

The claim of J. R. Denson for \$46 for services as bailiff at the term of district court just concluded, was rejected by the county commissioners on the ground that Mr. Denson was not appointed by the court and that no record exists of his eligibility to serve.

The cost bill in the case of state vs. Jas. Lindsay for \$557.68 was filed with the county commissioners Wednesday. Jurors fees for the entire term of court amounted to \$1,744.20. Of this sum about \$500 can be attributed to the Lindsay trial, thus bringing the expense of the prosecution up to \$1,200.

County Attorney Polk was in Lincoln Tuesday and appeared before the supreme court to represent the state in the motion filed by Attorney Gurley for Pughlist Lindsay's admission to bail. The court would not agree to a suspension of sentence, but will pass on the matter of bail at an early date. In the meantime Lindsay's attorneys are making preparation to prosecute an appeal from the verdict of the jury and sentence of the court.

W. J. Hesser, the florist, is the most persistent advertiser, after his method, to-wit:—by sending out circulars and price lists, that there is in Cass county, and in that way he spends more money for postage than any business man in the county. He has a fine stock of plants, shrubs, bulbs and trees and he knows it, and isn't afraid to let the world know it. Postmaster Fox says Mr. Hesser has correspondence with men in almost every state and in every territory in the union, as a result of his persistent advertising.

Syrup of Tar and Wild Cherry will cure that cough or cold. Sold only by Gering & Co.

ONE THING AND ANOTHER.

Policeman Nick Halter of Omaha, a former Glenwood boy, while attempting to arrest a man crazed with anger Saturday came near losing his own life. He was stabbed in the head and neck several times and only saved himself by shooting his assailant through the leg. Nick is a powerful and fearless man, but came near meeting his match this time.—Glenwood Opinion.

Halter will be remembered as a former employe in the local B. & M. machine shop, where he labored for some two years. He is a striking big fellow and is just about right, both physically and intellectually, to make an Omaha policeman.

The best hope of the land owner in Cass county is through the planting of fruit trees. The apple is the best paying fruit because it is a fairly sure producer, and costs the least to care for it. But cherries and pears also pay well. Men who have tried fruit raising and tried it intelligently, both in Cass county and across the river in Iowa, are well pleased with the result. Here is Perry Walker, retired on his earnings, chiefly from an orchard which he, nevertheless, allowed to decay and die. But instances are too numerous to mention of success in fruit raising in Cass county, while the failures can be counted on the fingers of one hand, and were manifestly the result of wrong treatment of the trees. The time to plant orchards is near at hand for this year. Improve the hour. Don't let it pass.

Diphtheria and scarlet fever are quite prevalent at Havelock. New cases are reported daily, and there have been several deaths there in the past few days. The board of health maintains strict quarantine of the afflicted families, but the council is considering the advisability of closing the public schools.

Every resident of eastern Cass county of any years standing knows Smith Hines. And if not they ought to get acquainted with him. He is a great big, broad-shouldered, innocent, good-natured, hard-working, self-indulgent farmer's boy, reared from a child in this county, liberal to a fault, who talks a good deal, but can do more farm work or husk more corn in a season than anybody else ever seen in Nebraska. Smith's sock body but himself and the girl he took to wife. Five years ago Smith moved to Oteo county, and there last year his wife got a divorce and the custody of the two children that have come to them, without protest on his part, and all he asked was the poor privilege of seeing the little ones once in awhile. Last January Smith moved back to Cass county, has taken a farm near town and means to recoup his fortunes by hard work and temperate living; and this latter he has shown his ability to accomplish in a most creditable manner. Will the Nebraska City News, which has taken many liberties with his name, now give him credit with acting the part of a good citizen?

"There is a rumor in circulation," says the Nebraska City News, "that the Missouri Pacific intends moving its machine shops from Hiawatha, Kansas, to some point in Nebraska, and Auburn seems to be the favored point. It seems to us that with a little hard work on the part of our leading citizens the shops can be secured for this city. The company has sufficient grounds here for the location and we surely can offer inducements sufficient for the company to consider this point. If we can secure these repair shops it will mean a great deal for us—in fact it will put us far in the lead as the third city in the state."

The above is quite as applicable to Plattsmouth as to Nebraska City, and it deserves the attention of the wide-awake.

The republican legislature drove two nails in the coffin of that party by passing the partisan Omaha police commission bill and the bill taking from the governor and giving to the secretary of state the power to designate what newspapers the notices of constitutional amendments shall be printed in. Both bills are perniciously partisan and can not be justified on the ground of public good.

Hallie Johnson, who has been a sufferer with typhoid fever for the past two months, was taken to Nebraska City today and will endeavor to recuperate under the watchful care of his grandfather, Jacob Klepser.

OVER A WIDE FIELD.

The Wolfs Worked Their Swindle Down at Falls City.

The Man Who Had Fits.

In response to a query as to a money order sent from Sargent, this state, to this city and made payable to the now famous "Mrs. E. Wolf," Postmaster Fox received the following Monday:

SARGENT, Neb., March 29th, 1895.
POSTMASTER, Plattsmouth, Neb.—Dear Sir:—Yours of the 28th received. The money-order referred to was sent by myself in accordance with a request received by mail from Mrs. E. Wolf, mailed from Council Bluffs. She mailed me an order drawn on this office for \$7.10, of which Wm. Cade, of Falls City, was the remitter, and requested an order sent her on the office at Plattsmouth, less the fee. I have forwarded several letters to her at Council Bluffs, but am satisfied that no person of that name ever lived in this vicinity, and am not personally acquainted with her. Yours truly,
J. E. McCray, Postmaster.

The letter adds new light on the subject and shows that the Wolfs' have pursued their swindles over even a wider territory than was a first supposed. It is safe to say that Wolf has had "fits" and worked up sympathy and a fat contribution in scores of towns in eastern Nebraska during the last several weeks. Although a rank swindle, the federal authorities have not yet put him behind the bars.

Where Is Seeger?

People who live over on the Iowa bottoms just opposite this city are considerably worked up over the disappearance of a man named Seeger; a son-in-law of Aleck Powell, an old resident of that neighborhood. Seeger is the fellow who walked into this city some time last fall and was found to be mentally unbalanced. He had been away on a three month's tramp and had given his relatives no warning of his whereabouts. The father-in-law took him home and since then he has lived on the Iowa bottoms, although his mental ailment has shown no improvement. On Saturday he was seen standing close to the river bank at a point where the current was cutting out the earth. This is the last trace of which the relatives are in possession, and it is feared that he has fallen into the current, only to be carried under and drowned. A systematic search has been organized but the relatives have little faith in finding him alive.

The Rain Has Come.

has been a rain in the north and Iowa within the last few days. Like a benison it came to bless and happy the land. During the past two weeks the frost has left the ground, and the farmer has been busy putting in his crop of spring wheat, oats and barley. The ground was moist enough when stirred up with a harrow, but during the last few days the warm sun and a stiff breeze dried it out so rapidly that it began to move off in clouds of dust, and gloom was fast taking the place of confident hope. It was observed that winter wheat and rye, although it had weathered the storms and frosts in good condition, was now needing moisture to brighten up and give life and vigor to the weaker stalks to keep them from dying under the sun's warm rays. Saturday night, however, all this dread and gloom was changed into the brightest hopes and anticipations; for near midnight a good rain set in, thoroughly wetting the ground several inches in depth, and this process was again repeated Sunday evening. This rain has given assurance of a splendid start for a harvest of cereals all over northern and eastern Nebraska, and has made the farmers smile with gladness.

The Mortgage Record.

March is the month of all months for the filing of mortgages, but notwithstanding that fact Cass county's showing for the month mentioned is an excellent one. Here are the figures: Farm property—filed, \$100,339.53; released, \$78,292.06. Town property—filed, \$3,843.67; released, \$7,061.33. Chattel mortgages—filed, \$28,600.40; released, \$11,032.30.

This is the best time of the year to paint your houses, barns and fences. F. G. Fricke & Co., keep a full stock of the best prepared paints in the market, at low prices.

FARM LOANS.

Last fall we were told that we could not borrow money or renew loans if Holcomb was elected governor. Nevertheless, I now have money to loan on good farm security, at a less rate than ever before. Write or call and see me if you desire a loan. J. M. LEYDA, Plattsmouth, Neb. 12-3m