

## SOCIETY EVENTS.

### Two Very Pleasant Receptions Held Last Evening.

### THE "WOODMEN" LOG-ROLLING.

That Society Installs Officers For the Ensuing Year, and Gives a Very Pleasant Entertainment and Supper Last Evening.

### Modern Woodmen Install Officers

The local order of the Modern Woodmen of America last evening installed their newly-elected officers for the ensuing term. The Woodmen, who are noted for their hospitality, extended an invitation to their families and friends to be present, and, although the weather was extremely disagreeable, about two hundred people braved the snow storm to witness the ceremonies, and none had occasion to regret it. One of the best, if not the very best programs for a like occasion was then carried out, including vocal music by a quartette of ladies and gentlemen, several choice instrumental selections by Messrs. Harry Green and John Coleman, of the Tuxedo Mandolin club, fute solos by Dr. Humphrey, with guitar accompaniment by Frank Nieman and a very pretty recitation by little Miss Clara Brown. The Woodmen marching club, with their handsomely-painted wooden axes, gave a very neat drill, and a fantastic exhibition of one of the neighbors "riding the goat" was funny in the extreme. Installing-Officer J. L. Root performed the installation ceremonies, which were impressive and interesting. The guests were then cordially invited to partake of refreshments, which they did with alacrity. Two of the cakes on the tables are deserving of especial mention, and would do credit to a professional pastry artist. One represented a log cabin complete, which, when lighted up, presented a very pretty appearance. The other was a handsome affair with a large chicken perched on the top. These were sold at auction at the close of the entertainment. The following were the officers installed:

Venerable Consul—H. R. Gering.  
Worthy Advisor—Wm. A. White.  
Excellent Banker—D. B. Smith.  
Clerk—W. L. Thomas.  
Guide—D. K. Barr.  
Manager—Val. Burkell.  
Chief Forrester—Harry Barthold.  
Sentry—H. Piestrup.

### Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Entertain.

Last evening the hospitable home of Captain and Mrs. L. D. Bennett was the scene of a most enjoyable card party. The host and hostess sustained their well-earned reputation as entertainers, and those fortunate enough to be present will have occasion to long remember the event. Mrs. Ella Cooper and Misses Bertie Bennett and Nellie Leonard very ably assisted in receiving and caring for the guests. After a season of progressive high-five elegant refreshments were served, including some very delicious homemade candy. After the refreshments card playing was resumed until a late hour. H. N. Dovey and Mrs. O. H. Snyder succeeded in carrying off the honors of the occasion, winning some fourteen games apiece. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames O. H. Snyder, V. V. Leonard, A. B. Todd, W. D. Jones, H. N. Dovey, Julius Pepperberg, Mrs. J. N. Wise, Mrs. Ella Cooper, Misses Alice Eaton, Bertie Bennett, Nellie Leonard, Messrs. John Duke, John Tutt and W. B. Wise.

### A Pleasant Party.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hempel, at the corner of Seventh and Marble, was the scene of a most enjoyable gathering last evening, the occasion being in honor of Miss Ella Dalton of Omaha, a cousin of the hostess. The parlors were tastefully decorated with hot house plants and flowers, everywhere showing the handiwork of the artistic hands of the hostess. After several games of high-five, a delicious lunch was served, after which there was dancing, singing and speaking. The recitations by Misses Ella Dalton and Rose Myers deserve special mention, and a trio sung by Miss Rose Myers, Henry Gering and Judge Spurlock was rendered in so pleasing a manner as to win them loud and repeated applause. In addition to the these features, the instrumental music rendered by Miss Kate Neville must not be omitted, as it formed a very pleasing part of the evening's entertainment. There was a bushel of fun and joy for all, and it was not till an early hour this morning that the jolly crowd dispersed. Those invited were:

Misses Verna Leonard, Ella Clark, Kate Neville, Barbara Gering, Rose and Bertha Myers, Kate and Theresa Hempel, Dora Swearingen, Delia Tartsch and Dora Fricke; Mesdames A. Coleman, J. Klein and A. Clark; Messrs. Henry Gering, Guy Livingston, Emil Wurl, Judge Spurlock, Rev. F. H. Freund, Will Myers, John Davies, Arch Coleman, Bert Combs and Tom Parmele.

## PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

J. D. Ferguson of Louisville was in town yesterday.

B. L. Kirkham, of THE JOURNAL, made a business trip to Omaha this afternoon.

The county commissioners were in adjourned session yesterday, allowing a number of bills.

Dick Streight drove in from South Bend yesterday. He says the roads were in splendid condition.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reed returned to their home in Council Bluffs this afternoon after an attendance here on probate court.

L. C. Eickhoff and Frank Dickson, both of Louisville, were visitors at the court house today. They seem to enjoy private life as a luxury.

Judge Archer says that it is too bad that Moore should have been bound over yesterday, after Attorney Graves had made a "valiant fight for his release."

Mrs. W. A. Swearingen, who has been quite ill for the past two weeks, is still very sick. She is being attended by her mother, Mrs. Green-slate of Elmwood.

The will of the late Dr. John Black was admitted to probate today without a contest, and what looked for a time like a hotly contested legal battle has blown over.

Star lodge No. 4, Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W., will give a festival and ball with supper attached, at Waterman hall, on Friday evening, Feb. 14, 1896. Tickets for dance 50 cents.

Gerald Drew gave a taffy pull to the teachers and members of the graduating class at his home on East Vine street last evening. A royal time is reported, and the company did not separate till a late hour.

In order to disprove the charge of cruelty to his daughter, Fred Patterson brought the child to town yesterday, that the county attorney might see for himself what grounds there were for the charges.

Conrad Schlater and wife, of Louisville, are in town, having come down for a visit of several days. Mr. S. is congratulating himself on a return of health, after an illness with a tripe for several weeks.

There are now five prisoners in the county jail, and the prospects are good for four of them to draw rations from the state for some time to come. The Gillespie brothers, Lon, Moore and Frank Douglas will all probably draw prizes running from one year up.

## PERSONAL, POLITICAL AND PERTINENT.

Col. Polk, of the News, called at his office this morning and offered to "set up the cigars" if THE JOURNAL would say nothing about a certain "scoop" in last evening's News. The colonel furnished his readers with an item that no one else in town even dreamed of, and where he obtained his information is a puzzle. If he will bring around those cigars, however, we will "let 'er go at that."

Perry Lathrop has received an offer of a position with a large wholesale grocery firm at Kansas City, but has not, as yet, decided whether or not he will accept the same.—Nebraska City News.

By the strangest coincidence three men met in the house restaurant in Washington the other day, whose names were Wheat, Oates and Barley. They began to hunt around and found another whose name was Rye.

The Lincoln Call remarks that "With twenty-five prisoners in the county jail for crimes ranging from murder to petty indiscretions, it may be truly said that our new sheriff and his assistants have their hands full."

The Cinderella club last evening gave another of their pleasant dances at Memorial hall. It was in the nature of a farewell to one of its members, George Mollring, who leaves for Crawford, Neb., in a few days to make his future home, and also in honor of Miss Minnie Christie, of Plattsmouth, who has been in the city some time visiting Mrs. H. D. Apgar and sister, Miss Maher. The evening was most enjoyably passed in tripping the light fantastic and a delightful lunch was served during the evening.—Nebraska City News.

Thomas Goss, a Maine farmer eighty-three years old, skated three miles on the Kennebec river to eat Christmas dinner with a friend, and after dinner skated the three miles back home again.

A girl in St. Joseph, Mo., has eloped with a Sioux Indian. Contrary to the usual run of aboriginals, this fellow is said to be quite a well red man.—Chicago Dispatch.

Judge Sullivan, who went down to St. Louis, as attorney for Mrs. Shry ock, in her insurance case, reports that he has every reason to believe that he will win. The case was appealed from the lower courts to the U. S. court of appeals at St. Louis.

## SNOW.

(Written for THE JOURNAL.)

Whither come those drops of crystal?  
Are they beads that some fair vernal  
Dropped by accident below?  
Are they smiles the saints are flinging?  
Or the notes the saints are singing  
Floating down so soft and slow?  
Are they angel's feathers maybe?  
Or the crumbs that some dear baby  
From his heavenly bread let fall?  
Are they star rays crushed and broken?  
Are they loves sent for a token  
Thrown out over Heaven's wall?  
Are they from blue seas yonder?  
Are they butterflies that wander  
From the blessed world above?  
Are they promises to greet us?  
Are they souls sent out to meet us  
From the ark, like Noah's dove?

—ISABEL RICHY.

## England and Cuba.

The war department should hasten to put the Atlantic squadron in fighting condition. There may be nothing to the reports covering the object and destination of the flying squadron, but conditions are such that we are enjoined to be on the alert and be prepared for the outcome, whether it be peace or war. If Great Britain intends to purchase Cuba, and if the United States does not propose that she shall, the time for the United States to interfere is before, not after the purchase is made. If we do not interfere before the transfer, interfering afterwards will place us in a much more disadvantageous attitude, as we would then be in the position of reclaiming territory from a foreign country rather than preventing a foreign country from acquiring territory. In the disposition of Cuba, should Spain undertake to sell it to England or any other foreign country, the United States has certainly a right to dictate. Cuba is so close to our shores as to be a most valuable and strategic point in the event of war, and, ignoring entirely commercial benefits, we might as well let England acquire part of Florida as part of all of Cuba. The Globe does not believe that England is courting war with the United States. This she cannot do. For England to take this step would be an act of hostility which the United States could neither tolerate nor condone. The United States should be prepared to serve notice on England to desist the moment the facts are known, should the report relative to Cuba prove true. Give England to understand that her rights to Cuba can be established only by the bayonet and bullet, no matter what sort of a compact she may make with Spain. Their apparent to Cuba is Uncle Sam—Council Bluffs Globe.

The republicans are growing impatient about an increase in taxes (i. e. the tariff) as the only panacea for the nation's ills. If they were to try the remedy of giving the people bimetalism, so that more money would flow into circulation it would seem a far more natural feasible plan. In medicine it used to be the theory to bleed the patient when he was sick. In fact it is generally believed that the father of his country, George Washington, was bled to death because his lungs were congested. Medical science has evolved a more modern and rational plan since then. It would seem that when the people are suffering from a want of money it would be better philosophy to give it to them than to tax them out of what they have.

Dr. Marshall, Graduate DENTIST, Fitzgerald block.

## NEBRASKA HAPPENINGS.

The Orleans Progress notes unmistakable signs of returning prosperity. Good enough!

Referring to the suggestion of an exchange that the people get together and run the government, the Seward Democrat says that a majority of them are not able to run a ten-acre farm.

Another coal find is reported near Plattsmouth. The vein is a thin one, but increases in thickness as the workers advance toward the heart of the bluff under which it reposes.

In attempting to club Henry Gaunt from a lamp post to which he clung for protection, the marshal of Culbertson received an upper cut which, according to the Era, peeled the bark from the south half of the northeast quarter of his elegant physiognomy.

Mrs. I. E. Strind of North Platte met with a very serious accident while washing. She was lifting clothes from a boiler of hot water, using a broom handle for that purpose, when the stick broke and the dripping garments landed on her head. Her face, neck and chest were badly scalded.

Another prerogative of the new woman has just been discovered in Norfolk. At a dance in the city last week, a ladies' choice waltz was on the program. One of the young men present, who had been engaged for the waltz, failed to fulfill his obligation, and as a reward had his face slapped by the deceived new woman.

Articles of incorporation of "the Union Stock Yards company of North Platte, (Limited)" were recently filed. The incorporators of this company are John Bratt, John Burke, M. B. Burke and E. Bratt. This company will con-

tinue the stock yards business formerly conducted by Charles Burke and John Bratt, and starts in with abundant capital, fully paid up, and is regarded as a very solid company.

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## A Fresh Start.

Of Mr. Arthur Coventry, the English race track official, this story is told. On his way to the milepost one day the official was accosted by a broken down but gentlemanly looking man.

"You don't know me, Mr. C.," said the man, "and I don't wonder at it. I've come down in the world. But I was at Oxford with you. My name's Tomlinson."

"No, I don't know you," said Mr. C. "But what do you want?"

"Well, things have gone all wrong. I'm broke, and I want you to give me a fresh start."

"Certainly. Come along here a bit."

They went on down the course, and presently at the end of the "straight" Mr. C. stopped short, raised his flag for a moment, let it fall and cried "Go!"

## Wasted Figures.

He—Then everything is fixed, and we can be married in May, can't we?

She—There is only one thing I have not spoken of, and mamma insisted that I must.

He—Certainly, my angel. What is it? Bid me go through any trial for your dear sake, and I'll do it. Ask for the golden fleece, and if such a thing is in existence I'll get it. Aye, even though I must swim the seas, climb the loftiest peaks, or search in the fuming craters of mighty volcanoes, I'll do it.

She—It isn't much, my dear. Mamma said I must ask you how much you intended to allow me a week for pin money.

He—Um—er—how much are pins a paper now?—New York Weekly.

## Good Listeners.

In conversing with one's friends nothing is so chilling as an apparent lack of attention and sympathy. It might be added that nothing is more vulgar, were not the listener's indifference common to the majority of our most cultured people. If, when one is addressed, she will remember to incline the body slightly forward, an attitude of rapt attention will soon be unconsciously assumed, and whether really worthy of it or not, new recruits gained for the always popular, as rare, class known as "good listeners."—New York Times.

In the fourteenth century the slaughter of women and children after a town or castle had been taken by storm was one of the most common occurrences of war.

The chemical properties of coffee beans are caffeine, fat, caffeic acid, gum, saccharine, legumin and cellulose.

## Pope's Favorite.

Pope deemed the "Essay on Man" his most polished production, but was so fond of revising his poetry that the printed copy contained almost one marginal note for every line. If his wishes had been fully carried out, the second edition would have had so many changes as to be practically a new work.

## RAILROAD TIME TABLE

### B. & N. R. R.

#### EAST BOUND.

No. 2, daily..... 5:31 p. m.  
No. 4, daily..... 10:21 a. m.  
No. 10, from Schuyler except Sunday, 11:55 a. m.  
No. 12, daily..... 8:25 p. m.  
No. 92, daily except Sunday..... 12:23 p. m.  
No. 30, freight from Louisville..... 2:50 p. m.

#### WEST BOUND.

No. 3, daily..... 3:43 p. m.  
No. 5, daily..... 7:27 a. m.  
No. 7, fast mail, daily..... 9:12 p. m.  
No. 9, to Schuyler, except Sunday..... 4:00 p. m.  
No. 11, daily..... 4:50 p. m.  
No. 29, freight to Louisville..... 8:00 a. m.

### M. P. & N. R.

GOING NORTH: Leaves.  
Passenger, No. 1..... 4:50 a. m.  
No. 193..... 5:03 p. m.  
Freight, No. 127 (daily except Sunday) 3:35 p. m.  
GOING SOUTH:  
Passenger, No. 2..... 10:43 p. m.  
No. 194..... 11:52 a. m.  
Freight, No. 126 (daily except Sunday) 9:25 a. m.  
Union and Lincoln accommodation, No. 263, arrives 12:55; departs, No. 264, 4:00 p. m.

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3d Prize, Cash, - - - - - 50  
10 Cash Prizes, each \$20, - - - - - 200  
15 Cash Prizes, each \$10, - - - - - 150  
25 Prizes, - - - - - \$1300

The first prize will be given to the person who constructs the shortest sentence, in English, containing all the letters in the alphabet. The other prizes will go in regular order to those competitors whose sentences stand next in point of brevity.

## CONDITIONS.

The length of a sentence is to be measured by the number of letters it contains, and each contestant must indicate by figures at the close of his sentence just how long it is. The sentence must have some meaning. Geographical names and names of persons cannot be used. The contest closes February 15th, 1896, and the results will be published one week later. In case two or more prize-winning sentences are equally short the one first received will be given preference. Every competitor whose sentence is less than 116 letters in length will receive Wilkie Collins' works in paper cover, including twelve complete novels, whether he wins a prize or not. No contestant can enter more than one sentence nor combine with other competitors. Residents of Omaha are not permitted to take any part, directly or indirectly, in this contest. Piano now on exhibition at Hayden Bros. Music Store, Omaha, Neb.

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