

**INSURANCE DEPARTMENT.**

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**Hail.**

In our hail company we have had several losses reported lately. The majority of them are small and only partial. But some are reported to be total losses. We had commenced to think that our losses would only call for from three to five cents per acre, but now it stands at about six or seven cents per acre.

In this matter I am only guessing, however, and think I am on the highest probability at 7c, and as the season is over on small grain, I think our losses will be small for the rest of the year.

I will try to see all who have reported losses by the middle of September.

We will have headquarters at the state fair grounds in Alliance building during the fair. Come and see us.

We invite correspondence on all insurance subjects.

And as there are so many men in this state who are interested in insurance matters of different kinds it would keep a man busy to answer all questions by personal letter. We have made special arrangements with this paper to furnish it from now until January 1st, for 35 cents. Now we hope that everyone who is a member of any insurance company will send us the 35 cents either for yourself or for some one else (but do not send silver loose in a letter, send P. O. order, express order or draft or postal note, or stamps. We want to keep informed on all phases of insurance and have adopted this plan and hope at least to receive at least a thousand subscribers during this month, because we will thereby know that you are interested in this department and for her we will make it interesting to you. If you are taking the paper now get some one else to subscribe and send the money to me for ALLIANCE-INDEPENDENT.

**Rally in Nemaha.**

We had a good rally in Island precinct this county August 13. About 200 present in spite of a rainy forenoon. J. B. Romine made a grand speech. He is a good one. Yours for truth and justice. WILLIS CARTER.

**Custer County Leads.**

The independents of Custer county are always in the lead. They have arranged for a three days people's party camp meeting in Withrow's grove near Ansley, beginning August 26. Gen. Van Wyck, W. L. Green and J. B. Romine have been invited to do the talking.

**A Grand Picnic.**

A people's party picnic will be held in Oak precinct, Lancaster county, at the residence of Wm. Aukeman, four miles north west of Lincoln, Thursday August 25. Hon. C. H. Van Wyck will be the orator of the day. Good music, dancing etc. Everybody cordially invited.

**LOW RATES TO KANSAS CITY.**

**Knights of Pythias Encampment.**

The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway will sell round trip tickets at half fare to Knights of Pythias and their friends to attend Encampment at Kansas City, August 23, 1892. Tickets will be on sale August 22 to August 25, within a radius of 200 miles, good to return to August 31; and outside this radius August 20 to 24, good to return to September 15.

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**A Red Willow County Man Speaks.**

August 8, 1892.

How sad and deplorable the fact that some men are so shallow and devoid of any power to retain what is said that you must be continually explaining to them—and still they don't know.

Some of our good rattle brain republicans are saying, "How can you stand Fields, that old rebel? Could you vote for such a man? I will die first."

Hold on Mr. Republican the war is over. Peace is declared; the oath of allegiance makes a man a citizen. One is just as good before the law as another. We are citizens of the United States. Let us be brethren.

Mr. Republican, maybe you have forgotten that such men as Ekins, Key, Longstreet and Marmaduke—who were as bitter against you in '61 as was Mr. Fields—held office under your dear old republican administration. Why kick now? If the brass that is on your face had been on your toe, then it would have been more consistent. We today, are proud of the clear record of our nominees—Weaver and Fields. They are for God, home and native land; while the two old parties are for money, oppression and monopoly.

The burdens are too heavy for poor trampled humanity to bear, and relief must come soon. "To the front" should be the watch word of every farmer and laborer. Down with monopoly and money sharks—give us liberty once more. The millions of Africans in the south were called slaves, but how much more are 40,000,000 of American citizens bound in abject slavery and tyranny. The time has come when these shackles must be struck off and we be free and independent. We can and will succeed. Our cause is just and darkness must flee before the light. Farmers, read for yourselves. Don't be hoodwinked by these windy tramps.

When this republican gas has escaped they will say: "What shall we eat, and where withal shall we be clothed, for our office is gone, the independents are in, and we are ruined." Vote in November for your own interest, vote for your neighbor's interest, vote for our nation's interest. If you do, you will see Weaver and Fields go into the white house in March, 1893. W. M. TAYLOR.

**J. B. Romine**

speaks at Laurence in Webster county August 20; at picnics in Saunders county August 22 and 23; at Withrow's Grove near Ansley, Custer county, August 27.

**A Drop in the Bucket.**

Mr. Greatwaddle—These lawyers are fearfully exorbitant. I had my will drawn up to-day and he got \$50 for it.

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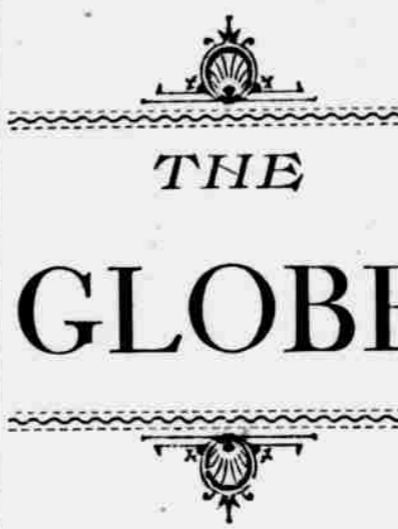


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**A Fertile Island.**

Here is an idea of what a little spot of land may do in the way of production: The Island of Jamaica sells annually to the United States bananas exceeding in value the entire apple, peach and cherry crops of the country.

**Maine's Bear Crop.**

About 350 bears were killed in Maine during the year ending in May, and some of the hunters have made a good living from the sale of the skins and the bounty of \$5 paid by the State for each bear.