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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1899.

Stewart, the cloping dentist of Hastings was the treasurer of the Grand Lodge A. O. U. W. of Nebraska and the executive committee has declared the office vacant and appointed E. A. Polley, of Seward, to fill the vacancy.

The republicans of Alaska held their first convention at Juneau on Nov. 25th. Delegates were present from nearly all parts of the territory.

One of the most severe results from temper noted for some time is reported from Buffalo, Wyo. A woman living there by the name of Potter became so angry because her bread burned that she burst a blood vessel and was nearly dead when found.

Commerce Wilson has made his report on the navy. It is estimated by him as necessary to carry on the work of rebuilding the navy as already begun.

The important subject of heredity is receiving a good deal of attention by the thinking people and 'The Dutchess' has an article in a recent issue of the New York Press in which she advocates a reform in marriages.

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TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

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The Heroes.

Mother Earth, are the heroes dead? Do they thrill the soul of the years no more?

Are the gleaming snows and the poppies red?

All that is left of the brave of yore?

Are there none to fight as Theseus fought, Far in the young world's misty dawn,

Or to teach as the gray-haired Sutor taught?

Mother Earth, are the heroes gone?

Gone? In a grander form they live.

Dead? We may clasp their hands in ours, And catch the light of their clearer eyes,

And breathe their lives with immortal flowers.

Wherever a noble deed is done.

'Tis the pulse of a heroes heart is stirred.

Whenever the right has a triumph won There are the heroes voices heard.

Their armor rings on a fairer field Than the Greek and the Trojan hero's tread,

For Freedom's sword is the blade they wield,

And the light above is the smile of God.

So, in his life of calm delight, Jason may sleep the years away,

For the heroes live, and the sky is bright,

And the world is a braver world to-day.

The Commercial Traveler's Union gave a banquet in Cincinnati recently at which no wines or liquors of any kind were served.

The Western Traveler expresses great approval and says: "There was no falling under the table, no mandarin toasts, but a jolly crowd of jovial travelers, who had a good time, and went to bed sober, and with clear heads."

THE WORKS OF DEATH.

A hundred and sixty thousand saloon-keepers, according to the census, and not a very late one, either, are at work in a nefarious business in our United States.

There are about eighty thousand ministers on the rolls of all our churches. Not over sixty thousand of these are in the regular work.

Three saloon-keepers to one minister! Then there is the great army of distillers and brewers and wholesalers, and the work of death goes on, day and night, seven days in the week.

We open our churches a few times a week, preach, pray, visit, educate, do all in our power, but these whiskey and beer resorts are open all the time nearly, with all the downward gravitating attentions of human passion, appetite and depravity to add them.

Shall we sit by and permit the shallow sophistries of the enemy to protect this great, organized, death-dealing iniquity? The saloon must go! On that point we must agree.

On that point people are beginning to agree with marvelous unanimity. The "how" is an easy matter—we can cross the Red Sea when we are ready to cross it.—Herald and Preceptor.

Beet Sugar.

Fremont Tribune.

A resident of San Jose, California, writing to the Tribune, hits the beet sugar nail squarely on the head, as follows:

"I do not see why manufacturing sugar from beets would not be a paying business in Nebraska. I believe you can raise more tons to an acre than we can here, and all accounts I have seen of their analysis they are fully as high in saccharine matter there as here, and you can buy eight or ten acres of land there for what one would cost here, and they are into the business pretty extensively here in places."

Beet sugar experiments in Nebraska can't be made any too soon. The bright bow of promise is arched over the sugar beet.

Northwestern Nebraska.

The question is frequently asked in letters from people in the east if there is government land yet to be had in this section of the country.

In order that the readers of THE JOURNAL may have some guide for the reports they give in answer to such inquiries we clip and publish the following from the Chadron Advocate.

It is probably as near correct as any one can get it, and while it is not claimed to be exact still it shows that there is still room for a good many more people to live and plenty of opportunity to secure fine homes from the government:

"Register McCann is preparing some land office statistics for the use of Passenger Agent Buchanan. A careful computation shows that about 1,250,000 acres of land in the Chadron land district is still open for entry. The total number of acres in the district is 4,424,138.79, exclusive of the Ft. Robinson military reservation.

The Register is also making an estimate of the number of acres actually under cultivation in this district. The assessors' returns are a partial guide, though they are lamentably incomplete on this point. But from them and his own knowledge the register has made an estimate of the average number of acres under cultivation to the township in the four north-west counties as follows:

County. Acres per township. Total acres. Sheridan.....1,250.....85,000

Lawes.....1,100.....40,000

Box Butte.....1,200.....45,000

Sioux.....200.....10,000

This makes a total of 180,000 acres only that has felt the edge of the plow in north-west Nebraska, or an average of less than ten acres per quarter section. While this lacks the authority of a census report it is probably nearly accurate."

Another test case of the prohibition law of Kansas is to be made. A man by the name of Fulmer, while acting as agent of the Pacific express company at Oleta, Kansas, received several boxes from Blue Springs, Neb., containing whiskey which he sold in the original packages. He was convicted of violation of the prohibitory laws in the lower courts and the case has been taken to the supreme court for final hearing.

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