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Nebraska republican editors in response to a question of the Chicago *Tribune* as to their presidential preferences responded to the number of eighty-eight and seventy-three of them were for McKinley. That is is a pretty good indication of the general sentiment in Nebraska.—Seward *Reporter.*

After a great deal of fuss in arranging the details and finding a place where to fight, Robert Fitzsimmons and Peter Maher met in a prize ring just across the line in Mexico, on last Friday. It cost twenty dollars to gain admission and it took the former just a minute and a half to knock out his antagonist and become the heavy weight champion of the world. Less than 200 people were in the enclosure as witnesses.

Edgar W. Nye, known to the public as "Bill" Nye, died few days ago and was buried on Tuesday. There is a pathetic side to the incident not attached to death ordinarily. As a humorist he was expected to furnish amusement to many, but his health failed and it needed rest to regain what he had lost, but being in straightened circumstances he felt impelled to continue his labors to provide for his loved ones. It is hard for a person to persue the ordinary vocation of life when racked with disease and pain, but to sit down and produce funny sayings for the public under such conditions in order to win bread for ones family is a phase of life out of the ordinary.

Among the constitutional amendments to be voted on at the coming legislative election is one increasing the membership of the supreme court from three to five. According to the provisions of the amendment the electors may elect two judges at the same election, to take their seats on the bench in case the amendment carries. The republican state convention will therefore nominate two candidates for the supreme court. Those most prominently mentioned for these places are Hon. Robert Ryan, of Lincoln, one of the supreme court commissioners and Judge Alfred Bartow, of Chadron, of the district court of the fifteenth judicial district.—Lincoln *Journal.*

The indications are that the sentiment of the republicans of Nebraska is too strongly in favor of McKinley as first choice for president to be switched to any other man. Had Gen. Manderson expressed the wish for the support of his state some months ago he would have had most loyal and hearty support, but his silence has allowed the McKinley sentiment to crystalize thoroughly, and to turn the delegation over would savor so strongly of machine work that it would prove detrimental to the interests of the republican party. All Nebraska would rejoice to see Manderson made the choice of the St. Louis convention, and the proper thing to do is to send a delegation which is not instructed, and composed of men who have brains enough to advance the interests of the home man if occasion offers.

### Correspondence.

BODARC, NEB., Feb. 27, 1896.

Mr. and Mrs. Buff Coffee rejoice over the arrival of a young lady at their home.

Miss Rosa DeBock is visiting in the western part of the county.

Robt. Fergason and Rev. Sloan from Cottonwood are here attending the revival meeting at the Bodarc Presbyterian church.

L. Pfost is moving to the Rickard farm which he has rented.

Farmers are preparing to begin plowing, as the weather is unusually fine for this time of the year.

WHITE RIVER, Feb. 24, 1896.

Mr. McMillan will preach at the school house in district No. 19 next Sunday. Every body invited.

We understand that the site for the new Presbyterian church has been secured.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Isom McIntosh, on last Sunday, a son.

John W. Fry has purchased the Will Isom McIntosh farm. The consideration was $700.00.

We understand that Mr. White will move from Crawford onto his homestead in a few days.

BELL, NEB., Feb. 20, 1896.

"Howdy"!

The general salutation seems to be, "Well how does this weather strike you?" and the smile revealed by stockings is sufficient answer.

Bad colds are quite numerous.

W. H. Corbin was thrown from a load of hay and broke his collar bone.

While chopping wood for L. M. McCoy Pat Fromer had the misfortune to cut his foot, but he is still on the turf. He

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Johnson were visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity last week.

Grant Neece was visiting on Whistle creek last week.

Irving McCoy, of Dead Man, was in this vicinity this week.

Mrs. Lewis Larson is the guest of Mrs. B. F. Johnson this week.

Breaking colts is the general business of our people.

Mr. and Mrs. Crigler and daughter, Pearl, of Marsland, visited friends in this precinct last week.

still feels the effects of the snake-bite which he received last summer.

The community received quite a surprise last week in the announcement that E. L. Dickinson and Miss Lucy Metten were quietly married at Alliance. The infair dinner was served at J. Metten's, brother of the bride.

True Miller was subpoened by Sheriff Bartlett as a witness in a case at Sidney. It was set for the 18th inst.

### COMMISSIONERS' RECORD.

HARRISON, NEB., Feb. 10, 1896.

Board of county commissioners met as per call of clerk.

Present: Commissioners Tinkham, Weber and Johnson and clerk.

The board proceeded to obtain the information necessary to order to select the names of persons from which to draw a petit jury to serve at the March, 1896, term of the district court. The names of all persons who were drawn as jurors for the past two years was first obtained. The abstract of the votes cast at the last general election was examined and the total number of votes polled in the county was found to be 404, which divided by by 60, the number of persons to be listed for jury purposes, it was found that one person could be listed as juror for each six and eleven-fifteenths electors found in each precinct.

It appearing to the board that the boundary lines of Montrose, Five Points and Sugar Loaf precincts have been changed since the last vote of the several precincts was had, by reason of which fact it is impossible for the board to ascertain the proportionate number of jurors to be selected from said precincts as now constituted, it was decided by the board to proportion the drawing of the jury for the March, 1896, term of the district court by drawing the list on the basis of the last vote of the then several precincts.

The following list of names of persons eligible for jurors was then selected from the several precincts as constituted at the last election:

Antelope precinct—O. W. Story, Geo. H. Turner.

Andrews precinct—C. H. Cuitt, H. H. Lorimer.

Bolare precinct—A. Orton, J. C. Eberspecher, L. DeBock.

Bowen precinct—D. H. Griswold, H. M. Warncke, N. L. Tipton, Otto Fietze, W. L. Hoyt, E. A. Hasselquist, A. R. Dew, A. J. Bogart, E. A. Bigelow.

Cottonwood precinct—R. C. Tally, J. C. Spaie, D. A. Pubow.

Five Points precinct—Samuel Tebbet, S. B. Coffee, John Burrough, L. Ruffing.

Highland precinct—Henry Covey, Henry J. Rose.

Hat Creek precinct—J. W. Christian, C. T. Grewell, Henry Wurtz.

Montrose precinct—Peter Biersack, S. Borthey, John Delleno, John Messing, Henry Praeshoff, H. Richardson, Peter Wiedenfeld, Jacob Wasserburger, J. W. Ostrander.

Running Water precinct—A. McKinley.

Snake Creek precinct—... E. Dickinson.

Sugar Loaf precinct—Edward Peirce, John W. Hixson.

Whistle Creek precinct—C. P. Douglass, Octave Harris, John Irion, Sr., James F. Young, W. S. Nicholson.

White River precinct—O. S. Cox, Dennis Moran, W. H. Johnson, Dedrick Nelson, J. T. Mason, C. A. Ruddy.

Warbonnet precinct—Nels Anderson, Chas. E. Schilt, S. L. Ellis, Lewis Gerlach, John L. Kay, John Plunkett, C. H. Leeling, Leslie Crane.

The resignation of S. L. Ellis as county survey of was presented and, on motion, accepted.

John W. Tidd was awarded the contract for the erection and completion of a county bridge in Cottonwood precinct for the sum of $90.00, said contract to take effect upon his filing a good and sufficient bond to be approved by the county board.

M. J. Gayhart was appointed justice of the peace to fill vacancy in Montrose precinct.

The road overseer's annual settlement of James T. Mason was presented, and, on motion, approved, and certificate ordered issued on road district No. 11 in the sum of $27.00, in his favor.

The official bonds of John W. Hixson as road overseer in district No. 8 and P. S. Kirkpatrick as assessor in Highland precinct, were presented, and, on motion, approved.

Commissioners Tinkham and Weber, after having viewed the county bridge recently completed in Five Points precinct report in favor of accepting the same, and, on motion, the same is hereby accepted.

The claim of John W. Tidd for $90.00 for the erection and completion of county bridge was presented and, on motion, approved, and warrant ordered issued on bridge fund of 1895 for same.

The claim of Robert Harrison for $15.00 was presented, and, on motion, approved and warrant ordered issued on county road fund of 1895 for same.

The road petition of Walter Woodruff and others, asking that a public road be changed commencing at a point 80 rods north of the southwest corner of section 13, township 33, range 57, to run east one-half mile, thence south one-half mile and to abandon that portion of road No. "50" running from a point 80 rods north of the southwest corner of section 13, township 33, range 57, ½ mile south, thence east ½ mile, was presented and it appearing to the board that all damages are waived by all the land owners along the line of the proposed road. On motion the prayer of the petitioners is hereby granted.

The road petition of J. A. Moss and others asking that a public road be granted commencing at the southwest corner of section 1, township 32, range 53, thence east on section line one half mile, thence north two rods, thence east one-half mile to public road on county line, was presented, and it appearing to the board that the same is a consent road, and on motion the prayer of the petitioners is hereby granted and the same is hereby declared to be a public road.

On motion the board adjourned till 9, a. m. March 17th, 1896.

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The soil varies from a heavy clay to a light sandy loam and is capable of producing excellent crops.

The principal crops are small grain and vegetables, although good corn is grown in the valleys. The wheat, oats, rye and barley are all of unusually fine quality and command the highest market prices.

The water is pure and refreshing and is found in abundance in all parts of the county.

The county is practically out of debt and has over forty-five miles of railroad within its borders, has a good brick court house and the necessary fixtures for running the county and there has never been one dollar of county bonds issued and hence taxes will be low.

The Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad crosses Sioux county from east to west and the B. & M. has about fifteen miles of its line in the northeast part of the county.

The climate is more pleasant than that of the eastern portion of Nebraska.

There is still

**OVER 800,000 ACRES**

of land in Sioux county yet open to homestead entry. It is better land and more desirably located than that for which such rushes are made on the opening of a reservation. There is no railroad land in the county and for that reason its settlement has been slow for no special effort to get settlers was made, as was done in the early days of the settlement of the eastern part of the state.

Good deeded land can be purchased at reasonable rates with government land adjoining so that a person who wants more than one quarter section can obtain it if he has a little means.

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