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Geo. D. Canon, - - - Editor.

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Russia and Japan have allied themselves together for offensive and defensive purposes.

Over 10,000 tons of wheat burned together with a warehouse, at stockton Cal., on Jan. 4th.

Robert A. Van Wick took his seat as Mayor of the second largest city in the world Jan. 1st last Saturday.

China has secured a loan of \$50,000,000 from England and in return the British will demand Chinese territory.

Russia, Germany, France and England no doubt each will succeed in getting a slice of Chinese territory before the far eastern trouble subsides.

George Fred Williams the great free Silver orator of Boston, spoke at the Bryan traveling men's banquet in Lincoln last Tuesday night when Mr. Bryan and his wife was expected to arrive home from their trip to old Mexico.

Tomorrow, Theodore Durrant the murderer of Miss Blanche Lamont and Miss Williams in the Emanuel Baptist church in San Francisco most two years ago will be hanged at San Quintan near that city.

During the progress of a political meeting being held in the city hall at London, Ont., on the 3rd; the floor gave way precipitating 2,000 people to the floor below over twenty feet—killing about 25 and wounding and crippling many others.

The anti-Hanna forces of Ohio succeeded in organizing both branches of the legislature which convened at Columbus on the 3rd inst. Every indication now, points to Mr. Hanna's defeat, but until the defeat actually takes place we shall refuse to believe he can be knocked out.

President McKinley in his message to congress claimed soon as the Dingley tariff law had reasonable time to operate that prosperity would come. Now Secretary Gage makes the statement that prosperity is here and that it extends from ocean to ocean that every body's happy every body is doing well and that all is needed is to place the country on an absolute gold standard and turn the issuing of our currency over to the National Banks and then we will not wait for anything.

It is reported from Columbus, Oh., to the metropolitan press all over the country that Hon. M. A. Hanna, who is asking the Ohio legislature to return him to the U. S. senate, likes five votes in order to be successful, and that the indications point to the election of Gov. Bushnell. Mark Hanna is too sleek a politician to be defeated by any ordinary candidate. A man, who can manipulate a national campaign like Mark Hanna did the 1896 campaign there is little chance for his defeat as U. S. senator, of course we have in mind the scriptural proverb "A prophet is not without honor save, in his own country."

Invitation to the Editor.

BLAVER CITY, NEBR., DECEMBER 1897. DEAN BROTHERS PUBLISHERS.—The twenty-sixth annual session of the Nebraska Press Association will be held at Lincoln, Tuesday and Wednesday, January 11 and 12, 1898. That date is fast approaching. This letter is sent you to remind you, so that you may make any necessary arrangements to attend.

Additional Locals.

—Almost every one took in the sights of our fair city on New Year's.
—August Ring of Story was doing business at the Hub on last Thursday.
—Master Harvey E. Archer returned from Iowa on last Thursday morning.
—The new Board of County Commissioners will meet in session on the 11th.
—All the newly elected county officers were installed in their respective offices on the 6th.
—The dance held at the court house on New Year's eve was a grand success. Twenty five numbers were sold.
—Mr. Oberholt of Glen was a pleasant caller at our mansion on last Friday. We are always glad to receive callers.

WOMAN'S COLUMN.

Edited by - - Mrs. Geo. D. Canon. Short articles from the ladies of Sioux county are solicited.

How the Japs Propose.

A REMARKABLE custom in connection with window-gardening exists in some districts of Japan. In houses where in reside one or more daughters of a marriageable age, an empty flower-pot, of an ornamental character, is incircled by a ring, and suspended from the window or veranda by three light chains.

The Juliets of Japan are, of course, as attractive to the Romeos as those of other lands. But instead of serenades by moonlight and other delicate ways of making an impression, it is etiquette for the Japanese lover to approach the dwelling of his lady bearing some choice plant in his hand, which be boldly, but let us hope, reverently proceeds to plant in the empty vase. This takes place at a time when he is fully assured that both mother and daughter are at home, neither of whom, of course, is at all conscious that the young man is taking such a liberty with the flower-pot outside their window. This act of placing a pretty plant in the empty flower-pot is equivalent to a formal proposal to the young lady who dwells within.

The youthful gardener, having settled his plant to his mind, retires, and the lady is free to act as she pleases. If he is the right man, she takes every care of his gift, waters it, and tends it carefully with her own hands, that all the world may see the donor is accepted as a suitor. But if he is not a favorite, or if stern parents object, the poor plant is torn from the vase, and the next morning lies limp and withered on the veranda or on the path below.

Girls and Their use of Slang.

It is unfortunate that slang phrases are so easily slipping into our every-day conversation, and taking apparently so fixed a place in our talk. And the worst of it is that so many people are using slang entirely unconscious of the fact that they are doing so. Some of our slang phrases are scarcely recognized as such so familiar has common usage made them. Where a dozen years ago a refined girl would hesitate to use the most moderate slang phrase, to-day she employs the most expressive slang terms without thinking. A few years ago her most pronounced expressions of surprise was "Oh, gracious!" After a while this was not strong enough, and we heard "Gee whizz!" Then it turned into "Heavens!" while now it is not at all uncommon to hear a girl make use of "Good Lord!" A girl speaks of a friend who is tired as being "knocked out," entirely unconscious that she is using a vulgarism of the most pronounced sort. "Nit" is used for "no"; the sense of being bored is expressed in "You make me tired." A young man impresses a girl, and he is spoken of as being "immense," or "way up," or he is "smooth." A girl of stylish carriage finds herself placed as being "swagger." A girl of nerve "has sand." For a girl to be told by her companion that she is "not in it" is a common thing. Things suit girls "down to the ground": what they do not understand they do not "tumble to." And thus the vocabulary of slang grows.

IF THIS common usage of slang were confined to a particular order of girls, it would, perhaps, serve as an indicator of character, and pass unnoticed if then at least, would not touch the sensibilities of gentleness. But it is not so confined. Slang is invading the very nicest of circles: it is beginning to influence the talk of our most carefully reared girls. And this is why the habit should receive closer attention. Girls are forgetting that slang phrases and refinement are absolutely foreign to each other. A slang phrase may be more expressive than a term of polite usage, but it is never impressive, except to impress unfavorably. We may argue and excuse certain slang phrases and say they are harmless in their usage; that they are employed in a meaningless way. But the fact still remains that slang is vulgar, and invariably vulgarizes the girl who uses it. There are no two sides to that view of the question.

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Statement of moneys received and disbursed by the treasurer of Sioux County, Nebraska, from June 30th, 1897 to January 1st, 1898.

STATE FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$ 307 76
Collections.....	1,256 74
Paid State Treasurer.....	\$1,218 75
Balance.....	\$ 445 75
SCHOOL LAND FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$249 96
Collections.....	618 19
Paid State Treasurer.....	\$701 17
Balance.....	156 98
STATE SCHOOL FUND.	
Balance.....	\$ 94
Fines.....	34 00
State Apportionment Fund.....	609 97
Apportioned to Districts.....	\$634 41
Commission.....	5 50
Balance.....	\$639 91
TAX SALE REDEMPTION FUND.	
Balance.....	\$
Collections.....	45 20
Certificates Redeemed.....	\$ 8 50
Fees.....	25
Balance.....	36 45
COUNTY GENERAL FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$ 247 00
Collections.....	1,756 17
Transferred.....	1,006 92
Commissions.....	\$ 31 04
Warrants Redeemed.....	2,815 00
Balance.....	217 65
SOLDIERS REDEMPTION FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$131 16
Collections.....	52 56
Commissions.....	\$ 40
Warrants.....	\$0 00
Balance.....	98 82
COUNTY ROAD FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$101 99
Collections.....	150
Commissions.....	\$ 3 16
Warrants Redeemed.....	66 02
Transferred.....	42 50
Balance.....	119 08
COUNTY BRIDGE FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$ 489 58
Collections.....	326 22
Commissions.....	\$ 5 78
Warrants Redeemed.....	30 97
Transferred.....	783 46
Balance.....	139 54
COUNTY SPECIAL DEBT FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$ 36 59
Collections.....	179 51
Commissions.....	\$ 2 00
Warrants Redeemed.....	47 00
Transferred.....	133 10
Balance.....	84 00
BOWEN PRECINCT BOND FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$211 58
Collections.....	494 87
Commissions.....	4 94
State Fiscal Agency.....	700 00
Balance.....	2,401 56
ROAD DISTRICT FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$78 61
Collections.....	74
Commissions.....	316 00
Adm. and Receipts.....	118 90
Certificates Paid.....	7 78
Refunded.....	274 14
Balance.....	\$936 56
SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$135 59
Collections.....	67 56
Commissions.....	1 74
Warrants Redeemed.....	714 45
Balance.....	87 06
ADVERTISING FUND.	
Balance.....	\$33 25
Collections.....	39 30
Commissions.....	55
Transferred.....	49 76
Balance.....	\$60 91
FUNDS OF THE VILLAGE OF HARRISON.	
Balance.....	\$4 21
Collections.....	283 94
Commissions.....	7 00
Paid Village Treasurer.....	195 16
Balance.....	144 80
SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$1,665 61
Collections.....	1,420 94
State Apportionment.....	654 61
School Bond.....	14 99
Commission.....	13 10
Balance.....	1,882 32
Order Paid.....	2,480 50
Balance.....	\$418 05
SCHOOL BOND FUNDS.	
Balance.....	\$1,072 19
Collections.....	252 58
Commission.....	1 00
To School Fund.....	14 80
Compos. Redeemed.....	119 87
Balance.....	1,380 20
Cash On Hand.....	1,380 21
Investment Sinking Funds	6,450 00
Sioux County General Fund	1,625 00
Warrants.....	8,675 20
WARRANTS REGISTERED.	
General Fund.....	\$,608 87
Special Debt Fund.....	221 80
REGISTERED WARRANTS OUTSTANDING.	
General Fund.....	4,082 87
Special Debt Fund.....	1,648 29
Special Bond Fund.....	368 90
CHARLES BISHLE, County Treasurer	

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CHARLES BISHLE. On left side of hip of cattle. On left shoulder of horses. Range on the head of Warbonnet creek Address Harrison, Sioux Co. Neb.

S. W. CAREY. On left shoulder of cattle and horses. Range on Little Cottonwood. P. O., Crawford Neb.

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All persons having final proof notices in this paper will receive a marked copy of the paper and are requested to examine their notices and if any errors exist report the same to this office at once.

TIMBER CULTURE, FINAL PROOF.—NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Alliance, Neb., Dec. 27, 1897. Notice is hereby given that Robert Mathers of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has filed notice of intention to make final proof before M. J. Biewert, Clerk District Court, at his office in Harrison, Neb., on the 7th day of February 1898, on timber culture application No. 1581, for the 3 1/2 of N-W 1/4 and 3 1/2 of S-W 1/4 of Section No. 29, in Township No. 24 North Range No. 24 West. He names as witnesses: E. A. BISHOP, P. B. BISHOP, GRANT GUTHE and G. W. HARTER, all of Harrison, Neb. J. W. WHEAT JR., Register

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