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#### HARRISON

NEBRASKA NEWS NOTES

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tial affairs.

was good until the first of the year.

months' contract.

outfit had thrown away.

that his wife was a Choctaw, being

one-eighth Indian and seven-eighths

white. As the Choctaw lands became

valuable Mr. Gideon concluded that it

would be best to remarry in conformity

the exact facts of the affair.

New Salem

times.

he died.

Attorney General Prout was attending court at Beatrice last week.

Doc Bixby has been nominated for member of the board of education at Lincoln.

The 1902 session of the Humboldt farmers' institute was an unqualified

It has been officially appounced that all the deputy oil inspectors will be reappointed.

Grand Island has an offer of \$20,000 for a library from Andrew Carnegie on the usual conditions.

The new library building at Falls City is now completed. It is a gift of the late Lydia Brunner Woods.

The snow has entirely gone, the roads are becoming dry and the farmers will soon begin their wheat seeding.

Burglars enteged the store of W. D. Badger & Co. at Arlington and helped themselves to a few pairs of shoes.

**Governor** Savage and State Engineer Dobson attended the Interstate Irrigation congress at Sterling, Colo., last

Amos H. Gould, the Bellwood forger and bank wrecker is now in the penitentiary under a sentence of eight years.

The Platte County Farmers' institute at Columbus last week was well attended and great interest was taken in the topics discussed.

The New Hampsnire savings bank is suing the city of Plattsmouth to compel it to purchase the city gas and electric plant for \$30,000.

Deputy Labor Commissioner Watson is preparing for the annual task of collecting agricultural and manufacturing statistics of the state.

Chief Clerk John M. Butler of the railway mail service has received instructions to prepare for the quadrennial weighing of mails in his district.

Candidates for representative of the Fifth congressional district are becoming as thick as flies about an open molames barrel.

Mrs. Rena Nesbitt of Nebraska City. who sued several saloon men for \$10,000 for the ruination of her husband, has recovered a verdict of \$400.

Chief Game Warden Simpkins has determined to issue no more seining permits, except where the work is done under the direction of the state fish commission.

George Gould, charged with being an mplice of Amos H. Gould in wrecking the Platte Valley State bank Bellwood, has been in progress at

Rich Ranchers Love Story.

Oklahoma City, O. T .- (Special)-D. | try on horseback to secure a license Gideon, who resides on a ranch in from the clerk of the nation.

When they arrived at their destithe Choctaw Nation, was in the city nation they discovered that the clerk's yesterday. In explaining how he came successor had been appointed and that into possession of his ranch he told he lived fifty miles further across the a most remarkable story of his marimountains. They continued their journey to the new clerk. Upon their ar-

Thirteen years ago Mr. Gideon was rival at the residence of the new cierk working for the St. Louis Globe-Demthey made known the purpose of their ocrat. He became tired of newspaper visit. The clerk looked at his copy soliciting and concluded to settle down of the statutes, studied awhile and and practice medicine at Wagoner, he having studied medicine before going shook his read. He did not think he upon the road. Wagoner was then had any authority to issue a license only a station on the Missouri, Kansas to persons already married.

The case was argued for an hour of & Texas, with but one store, which more, but the clerk was obdurate. He was kept by Mr. Davis. Gideon got considerable practice, but could collect stuck to it that he had no authority no cash. After remaining four or five to issue the license. While discussing months he concluded to give up doc- the case Mr. Gideon spied a fiddle tering, and go back to St. Louis. It stowed away under the bed. A thought was then Christmas time and he had struck him.

"Do you play the fiddle?" he asked transportation into St. Louis which the clerk.

He was saddling the horse he had "Yes, do you play?" was the quick borrowed for his practice to take it response.

The fiddle was brought out and Mr. back to its owner, preparatory to his Gideon played everything he knew. departure for St. Louis, when he was called upon to visit a sick girl in a The Indian seemed greatly pleased and insisted upon his continuing to play. camp nearby. He made the call and When the musicale was over the clerk found the girl not seriously sick. As they sat in camp talking with her he promptly announced that he was ready learned that her father was dead and to make out the papers. Mr. Gideon that she was in the care of a relative. accepted the license and signed the It struck him that if he were married oath of allegiance to the Choctaw naand keeping house he could collect, tion. The couple then set out to the some of his accounts in vegetables, preacher's, three miles away. He was chickens, pigs, etc., so he proposed to at work shoeing a horse when they the girl that they marry upon a three arrived and they were obliged to wait until the job in hand was finished. The ceremony was performed by the The girl consented, and in two hours preacher in his blacksmith clothes from the time he first met her she was with sleeves rolled up above his elbows Gideon's bride. He gave up his trip and his shirt unbuttoned. It was and Davis, the storekeeper, fitted them o'clock before they were ready to start out with something to eat and gave on their return journey and they had them two chairs from his store, with-

great difficulty in finding a place to out backs. They fitted up an old stay over night. stove that an M. K. & T. grading As soon as Mr. and Mrs. Gideon got back to Durant they selected 1,200 Thus did Mr. and Mrs. Gideon start acres of the finest land in the nation and at once made preparations to improve it. Mr. Gideon's big farm is worth \$50,000 now, and although not fully improved is bringing its owners

> Although the three months contract was made in all earnestness it was never thought of afterward except to be laughed at. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Gideon has had occasion to regret the marriage relation so hastily assumed.

well as the wife, might share in the Chicago Post: "Sometimes," he redistribution of tribal funds. They remarked dismally, "I wish we were a turned to the territory and set about one-legged race." "Been buying more to get the endorsement of ten Choctaw shoes for the children, I suppose," was Indians. They were obtained and the couple set out fifty miles across coun- the natural reply.

# TENT DWELLERS IN MISSOURI.

Twelve thousand people in the Mis- ( these cotton-cloth communities. One of souri-Kansas mineral district live in these lies east of Joplin, beyond the tents the year round. mines. Its denizens seem to be related

In Joplin, the metropolis of the dis- to the nomade of Turkestan, albeit it trict, out of a population estimated at is plain they have degenerated. They \$0,000, 10 per cent dwell in tents. In stop in certain places for certain perithe outlying camps the percentage of ods of time and then move on to antenters is larger than in town, but the other locality, never getting far away. ratio is decreasing. While there are and in the course of a year return two more people in Joplin and the mining or three times to the first camping district at this time whose only roof place.

All the remnants, ragtag and bobtall, tree is a sheet of 12-ounce ducking than at the same time a year ago, the the lame, halt and blind of the equine creation seem to have descended to Increase has not kept pace with the these people after being cast off by total growth of population. the poverty-stricken wood haulers of Caste finds its way among tenters as certain as it exists anywhere, and the Shoal Creek. If these latter are the veritable hewers of wood of the minfines of demarcation are usually drawn ing district, their legatees are drawers on moral grounds. No matter how o fwater, for about the only employstraitened the circumstances of a tenting family is, if they be decent and ment that is ever known to engage show a disposition to be fair and honest their attention is the distribution of water for domestic uses to their more in their dealings with neighbors, they will find plenty of sympathy and asprovident and worthy fellow tenters. sistance. Not all people live in tents They are ragged, dirty, lazy and almost wholly abandoned. On the banks of because they cannot afford to rent a the streams, particularly along Turkey house Instances are known where, since the boom set in, men have rented | creek, just north of Joplin, and sequestheir houses and moved their families, tered in the timber, is one of the places where morals are none too strict. Yet into tents. Others have chosen tenting in this place certain unwritten laws are in order to save exorbitant rents, while respected, one in particular being a still others endure this mode of habitasanitary measure relating to keeping tion so that the family may be near

the stream as wholesome as possible. the work of the breadwinner. Some It might be imagined that life in these fow, and they are very few, compe tents is hard to endure in the winter. their families to live in tents so they It is undoubtedly hard enough, but it can have more money with which to is likely the heat of summer, with its gamble and drink

decaying vegetation and tainted water. An instance of this kind is called t causes more suffering and discase in nind of a man whose services comthe tents than in the winter. In the manded \$15 per week, whether he work winter season the tents are made tight. ed all the time or not. When his hab and as fuel is cheap, a fire keeps them its and condition became known the other tenters in the locality made it so so warm that flaps have to be thrown uncomfortable for him that he left, Had back for ventilation. Being built on the feilow only expended half his in- the ground and banked up around the come on ligor and crap tables, and the sides, tents are more comfortable in other half in prospecting while the winter than the most of the little rough wife took in washing to keep the fam- pine cabins that are built up off the ily going, no violence would have been ground, and where the biting winds done the ethical code of the tenting come up through loose floors, giving their inmates colds and pneumonia.

TIRED MOTHERS.

A little elbow leans upon your knee. Your tired knee that has so much to

bear; child's dear eyes are looking lovingly

From underneath a thatch of tan-Perhaps you do not heed the velvet

of warm, moist fingers, folding yours so tight: You do not prize this blessing ov

much-You almost are too tired to pray tonight.

But it is blessedness! A year ago I did not see as I do today-We are so dull and thankless; and

too slow To catch the sunshine till it slips

a.way. And now it seems surpassing strange

to me. That, while I wore the badge of motherhood did not kiss more oft and tenderly The little child that brought me only

good.

And if some night when you sit down to rest. You miss this elbow from your tired

knee-This restless curly head from off your

breast This lisping tongue that chatters

constantly; if from your own the dimpled hands had slipped. And ne'er would nestle in your palm

again: If the white feet into their grave had

tripped, I could not blame you for your heartache then

wonder so that mothers ever fret At little children clinging to their gown;

Or that the footprints, when the days

are wet. And ever black enough to make them frown. If I could find a little muddy boot, Or cap, or jacket on my chamber

If I could kiss a rosy, restless foot. And hear it patter in my house once

If I could mend abroken cart today, Tomorrow make a kite to reach the

sky. There is no woman in God's world

There is no woman in cover could say She was more blissfully content than I. But ah! the dainty pillow next my own Is never rumpled by a shining head; My singing birdling from its new is flown-

flown-The little boy I used to kiss is dead;

## -:- FRILLS OF FASHION. -:-

Corsage knots are usually the one note of color on a delicately shaded evening gown.

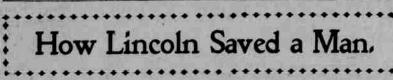
To lighten a dark hall or room, hang a goo sized mirror in a gilt frame in the most conspicuous spot.

For travelers there are now to be found complete setas of underwear in pongee slilk, simply trimmed with lace of the same color-pale yellow.

In the trosseau of a fashionable London bride of this winter was an evening gown of white satin embroidered with swallows in natural colors. A novelty in hair ornaments is a couple of peacocks' feathers fashioned from sequins, in which the exact color of the plume are reproduced.

In crystal are to be found some exquisite little frocks for boudoir use. They are embellished with etching in gold or painted with fine sprays of flowers.

Gray-green is one of the preferred colors just now, particularly for gowns of panne and velvet. Chiffon of th same shade is used for trimming and old Ince. Scale of the daintiest opera bags are made of Dresden figured taffets outlined with spangles of beads. Other styles are of peau de sole embellished with embroidery of beads. Baroque pearls are utilized for the new hat and stickpins, with flowershaped howly. The designs represent chrysanthencums, roses and daisles, that nearly torining the petals of the blos-Sr THH. The new parasols show handles of fet, gun metal, ivory, silver, crystal and enameled wood, topped with diminutive heads. Some elaborate designs in crystal are embeliished with gold and silver and studded with jew-Fewer and fewer grow the number of sleeves that are formed of one fobric alone, or that reach in close soit shape from shoulder to wrist. The opening of the spring season will show a greater variety that, ever of pisturescue and fanciful sieeve styles, that will prove both artistically molern and artistically historical in effect. "Summer velvet" is among the list of very elegant materials to be employed in the creation of spring gowns and garnitures-and also in the formation of Easter millinery. This fabric is but little heavier than satin. It has a beautiful sliky surface, a brilliant luster, and, although light in weight, possesses a very fine and extra close A white velvet gown korn at a fashionable wedding recently was made with avery wide band of lace insertion finishing the bottom of the trained skirt. This was was bordered above and below with a very narrow band of otter fur. A Marie Antoinette fichu of slik net, with a dark fur heading a graduated frill of lace, formed a quaint and elegant feature of the gown.



Bloomington III - (Special) - There (coin asked each one how he saw th have been so many garbled versions fight, and the invariable reply was, of the incident in Abraham Lincoln's "By the light of the moon."

million with the case as but a short turned to the weeping mother and

legal career in which he by an almanac Lincoln then produced an almanac saved the life of a man charged with of the current year and proved by it to narrate the correct one, as told by the assault in the moonlight the moon R. W. Armstrong, a barber of Mason was invisible. Lincoln then addressed City, Ill., who was the son of the man the jury, making, it is said, one of the defended. The latter, who was known strongest and most eloquent pleas even as "Duff" Armstrong. He is very fa- made in that court. At the close he

#### in life. They prospered and soon were community. surrounded with comforts. After living a couple of years at Wagoner Mr. Gideon moved to St. Louis and again went on the road. He had, some a princely income. months after marrying, discovered

# to the Choctaw laws, so that he, as

Washington, D. C .- (Special.)-The | smaller craft, like the Stringham and navy department was under the neces- the Chesapeake, also calling for comsity today of ordering the United | missions and crews.

States cruiser Detroit to the Portsthe Marblehead out of commission at

The foregoing relates more to the There are many kinds of foolishness, prosperous side of tent life in the mining district. There are slums even in but the meanest kind is selfishness.

NAVY SHORT OF OFFICERS.

mouth navy yard, New Hampshire, to suggested by the fact that for all of

go out of commission. In addition to the four great guns in the double turthis, orders have been prepared to put rets of the new battleship Kearsarge, Mare Island, and telegraph orders have ing undue risk, even in times of peace. been sent to Admiral Watson to send The navigation bureau is authority for the sunboats Bennington and Concord. hte statement that there are fully foo now at Manila, home to San Francisco, vacancies in the line of the navy, and where they will also be put out of com- the total number of officers is really mission. The big battleships Indiana less than it was fifteen years ago, notand Massachusetts, which have just withstanding the great increase in the

been overhauled at the New York navy number of ships. The projected shortyard, are aso to be sent to League ening of the course at Annapolis pro-

The extent of the shortage may be

but one officer could be spared, involv-Island about the first of the month to vided for in the pending naval bill be laid up in ordinary instead of being would not substantfully relieve the sit-

#### David City.

Roy McKee, a hotel clerk at Columbus, was charged with the larceny of checks aggregating \$168 from letters in the mail box at the hotel, was acquitted on preliminary hearing.

Marion Winters broke into a barn near Havelock and stole a set of har ness. Inside of four days he was in the penitentiary under a sentence of a year at hard labor.

J. M. Deweese, who has been a restdent of Richardson county since 1864. suffered a paralytic stroke last week at Humboldt and is lying at the point of death there. He is in his eightyseventh year.

Hall county has received the sum of \$12,385 due on the bond of ex-County ited \$15,000 of the county's money in the Bank of Commerce a few days before it failed in 1896.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: A Philadelphia lawyer was one of the guests at the annual dinner of the Episcopa lian club in Boston the other evening and bluntly told the assembled min isters that too much of the preaching heard in the pulpit nowadays is "dreary drivel," and that too many of the preachers seem to be in the because they are "paid to business He said it all so good-na turedly that the assembled ministers, who perhaps thought they were not of that kind, applauded him.

John F. Dardis, a policeman of Winsted. Ct., saw snow falling the other erning and put on a pair of heavy sers. He had a hurry summons in town and jumped into the trousand left the house on the run. He d not gone far, however, before began to sting, and he ed in a clothing store to investi-A number of hornets had built at in one leg of his winter trousers resented Intrusion.

ach naturalist asserts that ff

time before his father, who, by the said. way is still living, had related to him "Aunt Hannah, you can have your boy again before the sun goes down." And In all the histories of Lincoin and in she did, for the jury brought in a vermost of the school books it is told how dict of not guilty.

Lincoln received no fee and asked Lincoln defended Armstrong and cleared him by proving that the moon was none. Afterward Armstrong enlisted not shining when the witnesses said in the army. He was his mother's only it was, and that they saw the murder support, the other children being committed "by the light of the moon." small. When Lincoln became presi-The father of Duff Armstrong was dent Mrs. Armstrong wrote to him Jac.; Armstrong, who lived near New asking him to release her son from the Salem, and who was the leader of the array that he might come home.

"Clary Grove" boys. He it was who Neighbors told her that it was non had the celebrated wrestling match sense to write to the great Lincoln with Lincoln back of the old store at about such a small matter as the discharge of a soldier out of such a great Afterward they became great friends. army, and especially when Lincoln was

The home of Jack Armstrong and so deeply immersed in the momentous of his wife, Hannah, was always open affairs of state. She only replied to Lincoln, and he visited there many "Please God, Abe will give back my boy to me once more."

It was during the summer of 1857 As soon as Lincoln received the letthat Duff Armstrong, with a number ter he ordered a discharge made out for William Armstrong, and within ten of other young fellows, attended a camp meeting tweive miles south of days he was at home with his mother. Mason City. The young fellows were

drinking, and as was the custom of In 1812, Tecumseh, the celebrated these times, Duff became involved in a Shawnee chief and British ally, apquarrel with a companion named peared among the Indians of the South Metzger one night a short distance and by his arts of persuasion induced from the camp meeting. Duff claimed a large majority of the Creek nation that he struck Metzger with his fist and a considerable portion of the other just under the eye. The stories in so tribes to take up arms against the many books that he used a club or United States. Being supplied with slingshot, or other weapon, he insists implements of war from the British, through the channel of the Floridas are false. The next morning Metzger was out and around, but it is pre- the accordingly commenced hostilities On the forenoon of the 30th of August, sumed that he caught cold in the injured eye. At any rate the injury af- a body of Indians to the amount of fected his brain in some manner and six or seven hundred warriors issued from the woods and approached Fort

Mimms in Alabama. As the sentinel oried out "Indians," the immediately There was a great commotion an soon as Metzger died, and it was degave a war-whoop and rushed in at ciared that Armstrong and another man had deliberately murdered him the gate before the sentinel had time to shut it. , Major Beasley was mortal with malice aforethought. Armstrong ir wounded at the commencement of was arrested and put in jail, first at the assault; he ordered his men to se Havana and later at Beardstown, where the trial was held. At this time cure the ammunition and retreated into the house. The battle and mas-Lincoln was practicing law at Springmore insted from eleven in the foreoon until six in the afternoon, by The elder Armstrong had just died which time the work of destruction WAD IN ras fully completed, the fort and uildings entirely demolished, and uprde of the men, women andchildren

> the pews for the the who e

commissioned

This remarkable reduction of number of ships in commission is as- od for temporary relief, such, perhaps, oribed at the navy department to the as the graduation of the Annapolis lack of a sufficient number of officers classes for the next two years one year to furnish complements for the ships absolutely required for naval purposes, authorization for the immediate ap-The battleship Kearsarge has just been pointment to Annapolis of about 104 put in commission and the Illinois on extra cadets. the Atlantic side and the Wisconsin on

the Pacific side also must be commisthe contractors. Then there are some verse.

### Africans and the Locowollye.

The children of the desert were filled with awe when first the silence of the primeval solltude was broken by the puffing of the meam engine. Down at the other end of the Cape to Cairo line the simple Matabele, when first tremely thin man, so thin that many teen that the strunge machine was latest story they are telling about him; worked by the labor of an indefinite A grocer's boy entered the doctor's in curious crowds, waiting to see the boy to place the basket in a cabinet nnor could they for many days be same instant he stepped out of the persuaded that the power of the loco- room, and, going into an adjoining one, motive could come from other than manipulated a contrivance which caus o the strength of the ox.

The Arabs of the Soudam, more imginative than the Matabele, saw in the fire horses of the ralway, one of theDians of the "Araban Nighta," barnessedby the magic of the infidel to the long train of cars. " The steam engine was to them a living, sentlent being. Of which belief there is curious evidence in the fact that on oue occasion a shelk made an impassioned making so small an engine draw so huge a train.-Windsor Magazine.

Daniel Howell of the New York City postoffice has resigned after an unbroken service of forty-seven years. The principle that few die and none resign is partially kept in continuance wever, by two officials in the same department, one of whom has been there fifty, and the other fifty.

"Is your husband : er, Mrs. Chatter?" "No; he can't play at the table talks,"shand a good whist play

st all if any

It never offends a wor

officials are striving to find some methin advance of the usual time, or an

"I regard Miss Helen Hay," said Wilsioned immediately in order that the liam Dean Howells recently, "as one of ships can be taken from the hands of the most promising women now writing

#### He Had Enough. There is a New York physician who

takes an active interest in politics and is popular with the "boys." In spite of his jolly disposition he is an ex. confronted by a locomotive, were car a joke is aimed at him. Here is the unmber of oxen, which they assum office the other day with a basket of ed were shut up inside; hence, when fine fruit which some grateful patient ahe engine stopped, they gathered had sent to him. The doctor told the door open and theoxen come out, which stod against the wall. At the an artificial skeleton within the cabinet to waggle its head and limbs in an appalling manner just as the messenger boy opened the door.

With a yell of terror the boy fied. When the doctor had enjoyed a hearty laugh, he picked up a fine apple and followed the boy into the street to give it to him. "Come here, my boy!" he shouted. "Here's a fine apple for you." "Not on your life!" replied the afremonstrance against the cruelty of frighted youngster, taking to his heels again. "You can't fool me with your clothes on."-New York Tribune.

> "I've something impawtant to-ah say to you," began young Cholly Sap-wit, who had determined at length to propose; "something which-ah-may subpwise you. I think-ah-Miss Pep "Well, well," exclaimed Miss Pop

> well, well, extaining an are rep-prey."that certainly does surprise me." For once Choily thought also, and on second thought he decided not to propose.—Philadlephis Press.

s that is his way of "taking nt" in her .- Atching Gister

Atlanta Constitution: "John." said the, "do you think you'll ever run for governer?" "Molly," he replied, "do you think I could bear to leave you for two weeks at a time going round the country making stump speeches?" And then she said if there was anything else he wanted for breakfast he had only to mention it.

It is reported that a camera has been blaced so as take each day one picture of the new building of the department of physics of the Corn University, now being constructed, with the object of perdicing hereafter with the object of perducing hereafter a moving picture of the building from its beginning to its completion.