

# ASHTON NEWS DEPARTMENT.

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## LOCAL NEWS.

—Thos. Jamrog and daughter are at Omaha this week.

Coal for threshing machine use. The best at E. G. Taylors.

—The St. Izidor Society shipped a car load of hogs to Omaha market Wednesday.

—John Rapp took a trip to Loup City last Tuesday to visit his relatives in that part of the county.

—Mrs. Ceuck and family of Elba visited friends and relatives here the fore part of the week.

—Theo. Ojendyke spent a few days last week at Omaha on business. He reports business in all lines as booming.

—Frank Lukaczewski has charge of the Warnyn threshing outfit; the past week breaking in a new engine.

—County attorney, F. J. Taylor of St Paul was at Ashton and vicinity Monday and Tuesday looking after land interests.

—Mrs. L. Davis went to St. Paul Wednesday to have an operation performed at the Gotham hospital for a tumor or abscess of the kidneys.

—The Cal Schaupp residence property has been repaired the past week. It will be occupied by Mr. Steve Newman and family.

—Jim Bartunek is now in a new line, buggy top covering is his fort. Jim done a nice job for Will Hawkins the past week.

—All the town youth have been having some fun with the mumps the past two weeks and now fell pretty mumpy.

—Tommy Galczewski broke his arm last Friday by falling off a horse. The arm was re-set by Dr. Bogen and Tommy is doing nicely.

—Gus Reigle has purchased 4 lots in the Taylor addition to Ashton. Gus believes in enterprise and we look for other surprises in the near future.

—The Lukaczewski threshing outfit passed through town Monday all dressed up in a coat of paint from the eminent brain and hand of ye Ashton editor.

—Jos. Sowinski called on us Tuesday and took legal proceedings as regards some stray stock which he holds in his possession and is awaiting an owner.

—The Wrehe boys, Frank Lukaczewski and Julius Anger have rented respective tracts of the late Wilson farm and will work the same next season.

—The farmers of Ashton will have a big elevator meeting to attend to elevator building. Each member will receive a personal notice from the secretary.

—A good soaking but cold rain fell in this section Tuesday morning. Stacking and threshing were delayed and a good many farmers done business in town.

—An ice cream sociable was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reigle on last Wednesday evening. A large gathering of freinds were present and an enjoyable evening was spent by all.

—We give this as fair warning, if ye Ashtonites don't get to handing in news items the editor of the Ashton news will have to get to writing poetics to fill in space and we are liable to produce some gems in that line.

—The Ashton judicialty supreme court, etc. etc. was rampant the past week in the Borowski vs. Badura cattle impounding suits. Badura's cattle hied to Borowski corn fields. Borowski took them up. Badura got out replerin papers and Borowski claimed the cattle got out again. They sued each other and his honor is busy expounding justice.

## News From Washington.

If the seven floors of the huge new printing office were spread out side by side instead of being one above the other, they would cover fourteen acres, or four ordinary city blocks. Each of these floors is practically a single room as they are few partitions. As printers need a good deal of light one-third of all the wall space is glass; thier being fifteen hundred windows in the new building. In order that the light may not be lost, the interior walls are lined with white enameled bricks which can be washed. The building is fire proof or as nearly fire proof as any building can be. It is as substantial as possible. Its walls are built like those of a fortress, as type is heavy and printing presses cause considerable vibration, and it would be unfortunate to have the roof and walls cave in and bury four thousand American citizens under material and machinery that is intended for the dissemination of intelligence. The floors so the engineers calculate will sustain a weight of 85,000,000 pounds, which of course is much in excess of any weight which they would be called upon to bear. The outside walls are three feet thick and to construct them 10,000,000 red bricks were required, enough to rebuild two thirds of the Washington monument. Inclosed within them is a steel frame work weighing about 12,000,000, which is heavier perhaps than the frame of any other building in the country. The steel columns, beams, and plates are not made of ordinary stock steel, but were forged to order, and the steel work is so protected that in case of heat being generated by any cause its strength will not be affected by warping. The most modern methods of operating the machinery have been provided. There will not be a foot of shafting in the whole building. Each of the three hundred presses will have its own motor, propelled by three of the largest dynamos in the country, each of 800 horsepower. These dynamos will also supply 7,000 incadescent lights and a most novel system of ventilation fans, which are placed in the left and will draw the air from the different floors through shafts and expel it through the roof with such rapidity that there will be an entire change of atmosphere in the building ever seven minutes, and each employe will have 3,000 cubic feet of pure, fresh air an hour.

Just as the public began to imagine that the Postoffice investigation was drawing to a close, the Washington grand jury returned an important batch of indictments. These covered four cases of swindling for all of which A. W. Machen, former general superintendent of free delivery was responsible and involved besides himself seven of his confederates. The evidence presented to the grand jury showed that Laehen by means of fraudulent contracts let for carriers, bags, registered letter cases, painting mail boxes ect., had swindled the government out of not less than \$75,000 probably more. Among those indicated as confederates of Machen were William Gordon Crawford, manager of the Postal Device & Lock Company of New York, himself a prominent club man of Washington, Wm. C. Long, better known as "Chif" Long formerly of Ohio, John T. Cupper, mayor of Lockhaven, Pa., and several others. The evidence of fraud thus far discovered have demonstrates that the government has lost at least \$100,000.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 10, 1903. Just as President Roosevelt has declared his "open door" policy for labor, union and non-union, the doors of the biggest printing office in the world have swung open to receive the particular laborers to whom the president announced this policy. The magnificent \$2,500,000 government printing office, which has been under construction for the past four years in Washington, is now practically completed, and is being occupied as rapidly as the plant, a great deal of which is also new, can be put in place. The old building which the printing office force is now leaving is both delapidated and dangerous, as was the policy of the supremacy of the union, which the president condemned.

The record of the free delivery service for the month of July completely belies the claim that it will be crippled by Bristow, the facts being that during that month there were 2,445 rural routes established as against a total of 5,664 for the entire fiscal year ending with June. In this connection it is interesting to note that the condition of the appropriation makes it possible to establish 9,000 more routes during the current fiscal year.

## What the Strong Man is Not.

The strong man is not the soldier on horseback with saber drawn. The strong man is the man with folded arms who utters the truth regardless of consequences. No one can injure a man who refuses to be hurt; you may kill him, but you cannot touch the man in him. He wields a power that he would have to give up if he stooped to physical force.

## Beggar's Successful Plea.

The best known of the penny beggars is loose in Broadway again after a long absence. He is a gray-bearded old man who glides up to you in the street and says in a wheezy voice: "Boss, will you give me a penny? I want to get a cup of coffee. I have four." As an evidence of truthfulness he holds out four pennies in his dirty palm. His modest request is usually complied with unless he is known. He has been doing the penny-begging stunt for several years now and seems to be satisfied with the results.—New York Sun.

## Believes Sea Serpent Exists.

The naturalist of the Belgica expedition lately told the Zoological Society of France that he believes the sea serpent to exist, and that it is not at all an imaginary creature of song and story. He says it is not a reptile, but a mammal of the order of the pinipeds, to which family the seals belong. In form it resembles somewhat the extinct plesiosaurus, attaining a length of 200 feet, the head and neck being one-fourth of the length, the trunk one-fourth and the tail one-half. It never approaches the coast except in pursuit of the fish on which it lives.

## Art Forgeries.

The Anglo-Saxon is the natural prey of the art forgery-monger, and the modern antiques which are manufactured for him constitute the livelihood of the whole countryside on the Arno, and the Tiber, on the Nile, and on the Jordan. Innocent peasant-looking people dig up these antiques before the eyes of the unsuspecting tripper! And when the fool goes off with his folly, the simple, guileless peasant quietly buries another example of the same object in the same hole for the benefit of the next tourist who may come along.—Magazine of Art.

## Plenty In It.

The discussion of bribery has served to recall the reply which George T. Anthony once made to a politician who was disposed to "graft." Mr. Anthony was about to relinquish an office and was approached by the man who was to succeed him, who wanted to know how much the office was worth. Mr. Anthony replied that it paid \$3,000 a year. "I know that is the salary," insisted the inquirer, "but what else is there in it?" "Well," said Anthony, looking his interrogator directly in the eye, "there's \$3,000 a year and the penitentiary in it for any man who wants to work it for all it is worth."—Kansas City Star.

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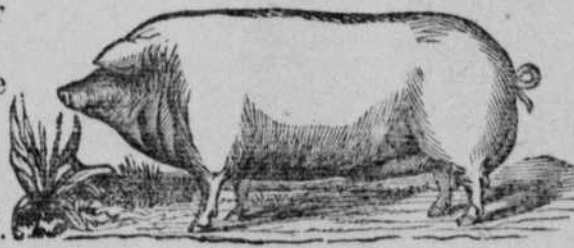
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The first prize each month awarded for the most helpful suggestion is \$50 in cash with a second prize of \$25 and eighteen other prizes of sets of book ranging in value from \$32 down to \$5, in all \$329 of value given in prizes each month. There are, in addition cumulative cash prizes for those who win prize in successive month, and a big cash prize of \$1,000 for the most valuable suggestion during 1903.

For the convenience of intending contestants who can not be promptly supplied by newsdealers, all the copies of Collier's for the current month will be sent postpaid together with a handsome proof of a drawing by Charles Dana Gibson upon receipt of 40 cents in stamps addressed to the lions mouth, Collier's Weekly, 438 West 13th Street New York.

## ROAD NOTICE.

To all whom it may concern: The commissioner appointed to view and report upon the vacation of a road commencing at a point where the Loup City and St. Paul road strikes the North East quarter of section Ten (10), Township 14, Range 13, and which is now angling through the said decribed quarter, be vacated as it is no longer needed, has reported in favor of the vacation thereof and all objections thereto or claims for damage must be filed in the County Clerk's office on or before noon of the 25 day of September, 1903 or such road will be vacated without reference thereto.

Dated this 20 day of July, 1903,  
GEO. H. GIBSON, County Clerk.

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