

Loup City Northwestern

J. W. BURLEIGH, Publisher.

LOUP CITY, - - NEBRASKA

When monarchs seek the simple life their subjects can well afford to follow their example.

Absence only makes Henry James fonder of America. That is why he stays in England all the time.

The hours we spend in wishing and craving for the impossible could be better spent in working for the attainable.

A man of intelligence, wealth and power who treats his subordinates with rudeness and insult is a natural coward.

People who show no kindness or mercy in wealth and power will certainly receive none when poverty comes to be their lot.

The man who doubts and the man who scoffs have this difference between them: The one uses his reason and the other his passion.

Possibly sleeping-car porters may become so wealthy that they will turn the tables and tip passengers who have made the jaunt unkickingly.

Prof. Ross says the idle rich are more dangerous than the hoboes. It must be admitted, however, that they are less apt to hit you with a piece of gasppee.

"Only people with a million or more can afford to have 'stuporous melancholia,'" says the Washington Herald. Well, it isn't exactly a disease that many of us crave.

If the learned professor of Harvard should speak politely to the laboring man would not the laboring man give the learned professor a seat? Let the learned professor try it.

They are talking of sending wireless messages around the world. For what purpose? So that a man can telegraph to himself instead of tying a string around his thumb when he wants to remember something?

King Menelik of Abyssinia claims to be the descendant of Solomon and the queen of Sheba, and certainly it is no violent wrench of facts to say he is a much better behaved old fellow than some of our distinguished senators.

We do not know that it will make any particular difference in the world's history whether Gladys is happy or not. Would some of her patriotic advisers guarantee happiness for her with an American husband whom they might pick out?

The Sheridan statue commission has approved and accepted the model of the statue of Gen. Philip Sheridan, which is to ornament Sheridan Circle, Twenty-second street and Massachusetts avenue, in Washington. The model is the design of Gutzon Borglum of New York.

The battleship Mississippi has been accepted by the government. It is in order now for somebody to discover that she was constructed along antiquated lines and that it would be preposterous to expect her to last more than one round in a battle with anything bigger than a rowboat.

Farmers in many parts of the country have been able, owing to the mild winter, to do a good deal of work, according to reports, but have found it difficult to get help in spite of the number of unemployed men in cities. Getting up at 4 o'clock a. m., and going out to feed the stock does not appeal even to the hungry men.

Orsa, in Sweden, has, in the course of a generation, sold \$5,550,000 worth of trees, and by means of judicious replanting has provided for a similar income every 30 or 40 years. In consequence of the development of this commercial wealth there are no taxes. Railways and telephones are free, and so are the schoolhouses, teaching, and many other things.

Now a movement has been started to compel women to take off their hats in church. The movement might as well be dropped at once before its advocates lose unnecessary sleep and grow thin through worry. If a woman is to take off her hat in church, what she will naturally argue, is the good of her Easter millinery? The logical conclusion of this argument is too self-evident for formal statement.

Helen Keller's latest intimate and detailed account of her experiences and emotions in an existence where she is deprived of sight and hearing and restricted to the three other senses, is a remarkable paper in many respects. But is not more remarkable declares the Boston Herald, than her declaration that if a fairy bade her to choose between the sense of sight and touch she would not part with the warm and endearing contact of human hands. Those who possess both gifts of sight and hearing would perhaps ponder long before choosing.

King Menelik of Abyssinia has an embarrassing habit, when he wants to make himself agreeable to his fellow-potatoes of the earth, of sending them pet lions. He has just sent a couple to the pope, whose mild and gentle character is about the last that would willingly take up Abyssinia lions as playthings. The only way, however, not to dispense the well-meaning dusky monarch is for recipient to profess himself delighted at getting the very things he wanted in the line of domestic pets, and then ship them to the nearest zoo.

IN THE PUBLIC EYE

CONGRESSMAN TO RETIRE



Congressman Robert G. Cousins of Tipton, Ia., one of the most brilliant orators in congress, where he has served eight terms, is about to retire at the demand of Gov. Cummins. His colleague, Congressman Birdsall, will do likewise. The two senators for the state had formed a combination, or machine, which carried everything for years. But Gov. Cummins resented dictation and set out to reduce the machine to scrap iron. It was no guerrilla warfare either, for the governor boldly announced his candidacy to succeed Senator Allison, and declared war upon everybody who maintained an alliance with the Allison machine. Cousins failed to get under cover. Later he found that the governor was more powerful than the machine he was fighting, and when he found the gun turned on himself he said, like Dave Crockett's mythical 'coon: "Don't shoot; I'll come down. I'm a gone 'coon."

Congressman Cousins was born, educated and has spent all his life in the district he now represents. He was born in Cedar county in 1859, graduated from Cornell college, Mt. Vernon, in 1881, and admitted to the bar the following year. He was elected member of the Iowa state legislature in 1886, and was chosen by the house as one of the prosecutors of State Auditor J. L. Brown in the impeachment proceedings before the senate. His conduct of the case attracted considerable notice, and in 1888 he was elected prosecuting attorney for his district and also presidential elector.

He has been in congress since 1892, and has filled many important positions, notably that of chairman of the committee on foreign affairs and chairman of the committee on expenditures in the treasury department. Birdsall has served three terms without attracting any particular attention.

AUTHOR LOSES IN POLITICS



Owen Wister, author of "The Virginian," has been taking a whirl at politics. He came out as the reform candidate for select councilman of the Seventh ward of his native Philadelphia, and got 646 votes on the cry against "dirty streets, dirty water, dirty air and dirty police," but his opponent, a common, ordinary, organization Republican, got 3,458 votes and the election. Still, Mr. Wister is not discouraged. He did better than he expected. He expected 500 votes and he did somewhat better, so he expresses himself "de-lighted." His friends were mostly "independents," in the sense that they could not be depended upon, otherwise he might have come within hailing distance of the victor.

Wister is not the first novelist to make a "dash" of the political game. Booth Tarkington went to the Indiana legislature to make a fight against the cigarette bill, but failed, and he never got back. Now he and that other Hoosier author, George Ade, are helping along the long, thin boom of the long, thin Mr. Fairbanks in Indiana. Ade is to go to the national convention as a Fairbanks delegate. Another unsuccessful politician, though a successful novelist, is Winston Churchill, our own Winston, not the much-advertised Englishman of the same name who is making a muddle of English politics. The American Winston ran for governor of New Hampshire on the reform ticket, but failed ingloriously. So Owen Wister falls in good company.

Mr. Wister is a lawyer by profession, but like Anthony Hope his briefs are few and far between. He finds writing novels more entertaining and more lucrative. To gather material for his stories he spends several months of each year in the country of the long-horned steer and the bucking broncho. His descriptions of ranch life and cowboy doings are graphic, for he has studied them for 20 years. He is said to be more at home on the ranch than in his native city, but he was equally as much at home in Paris, where he spent several years studying music after his graduation from Harvard. He has never got over his love for the gay capital, and to this day he regularly reads the Paris newspapers.

He has written several very successful books besides "The Virginian," the one that brought him before public attention being "The Dragon of Wantley." He has also written a musical burlesque and several songs, besides much prose and verse for the magazines. He is 48 years of age.

PORT ARTHUR RECALLED



The passing of the death sentence upon Gen. Stoessel is a harsh ending to the career of this Russian commander, who three years ago was acclaimed around the world as the "hero of Port Arthur." The general, who was decorated by Emperor William of Germany and honored by the Russian army for his defense of the Port Arthur fortress, has now been tried and found wanting in courage and capability by his own people. Even Stoessel's former enemies, the Japanese, came forward to say that he does not deserve this treatment at hands of his country, and Stoessel himself argued before the court-martial that he had justification for his act. In his last words before the court Gen. Stoessel, broken in health and fortune, accepted full responsibility for the surrender of Port Arthur and pleaded for the death sentence if the court should decide that a crime had been committed.

The basis of the indictments upon which Stoessel, Gen. Fock, who commanded the Fourth East Siberian Division of Port Arthur, and Maj.-Gen. Reiss chief of staff to Gen. Stoessel, were tried for their lives was a secret report made by Lieut. Gen. Smirnov on the defense of Port Arthur. Smirnov was acting commandant of the fortress, Stoessel being commander of the Kwangtung peninsula. Smirnov categorically accused Stoessel of cowardice and incapacity, and finally of the deliberate and treasonable hastening of the surrender to save his own life, and in defiance of the decisions of two successive councils of war. The report was extremely biased. Gen. Smirnov declared that the fortress, which was surrendered to the Japanese January 1, 1905, could have been held for six weeks longer.

In opposition to the statements made by Japanese officers who were the first to enter the fortress, Capt. Tsunoda, who, on behalf of Gen. Nogi, conducted the negotiations for the surrender of the fortress, came out last summer with an open letter in defense of Stoessel. The Japanese captain painted a pitiable picture of the conditions prevailing at Port Arthur.

MAY BE BRITISH PREMIER



Right Hon. Herbert Henry Asquith, who is slated to succeed Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman as premier of Britain, is one of the very few members of the present cabinet who are not Scotch. He is a near approach to it, however, for he is a Yorkshireman and represents a Scotch constituency. It might be added, too, that his better half is Scotch, being the daughter of Sir Charles Tennant. He is a clear-headed, clever, shrewd lawyer and a hard worker. He has been in public life since 1886 as member for East Fife, and while he has been playing one of the most important roles in the drama of national politics, he has been carrying on an enormous legal practice at the same time.

It was Mr. Asquith who first came out in favor of restoring self-government to the conquered Boer republics and expressed the hope that this step might result in a confederation of South Africa, a practically independent country administering its own affairs as Canada does without any interference on the part of the imperial government. He has succeeded in part, and when he is premier it is possible that the rest of his program may be carried out, and Boer and Briton left to settle their own disputes. He is now 56 years of age, a comparative juvenile as things go in Britain, where a man is not recognized as a statesman until he has reached three score and ten.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF

NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST FROM VARIOUS SECTIONS.

ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

The school board at Fremont at its regular meeting instructed the superintendent to enforce the rule for payment of tuition for nonresident pupils.

Mass meetings have been held in the Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Valentine with the end in view of forming a campaign to drive the saloons from the city.

Fire broke out in the general merchandise store of Wolf & Williams at Cedar Rapids. The fire company quickly extinguished the blaze with a loss of but \$1,000 by smoke and water.

A special election, to be held May 5, for the purpose of voting on \$1,000,000 bonds for the erection of a new court house and jail was recommended by the county board of Douglas County by unanimous vote.

According to advices received by the state railway commission, the Grand Island stock yards trouble has been settled. A hotel has been established at the yards and provisions have been made for calling the stockmen so that they will not miss their trains.

The Western Life and Accident company of Denver was denied admittance to the state by the insurance department. The department held that the name was so near that of the Western Mutual Life and Accident association that confusion would result.

Herman Bouche, who has killed two men in Madison county during the last twenty years, was found guilty of manslaughter in the case against him for killing Frank Jarmer, a Norfolk saloon keeper, near a resort there last May. The jury was out sixteen hours. Motion was made for a new trial.

Governor Sheldon has been invited to be present on the occasion of the festivities of San Francisco incidental to the arrival of the Atlantic fleet some time in May. The governor is going, and he will take with him his staff and the silver service which he will present to the battleship Nebraska.

A number of democratic editors met in the Paxton hotel at Omaha and elected officers for the Nebraska Democratic Editorial association, as follows: President, J. B. Donovan, Star-Mail, Madison; vice president, H. Clay Davis, News, Falls City; secretary-treasurer, W. H. Smith, Independent-Democrat, Seward.

A telegram has been received from Congressman Kinkaid to the effect that Mr. Kinkaid has received assurance that the subcommittee will recommend an appropriation for a federal building in North Platte. It seems likely that this session of congress will give an appropriation for both a site and the building.

Food Commissioner Johnson has been notified that Drug Inspector Nicholson bought a flask of unbranded whiskey of F. W. Haufgang, 601 First street, Hastings. Mr. Nicholson has turned the bottle over to the county attorney and Food Commissioner Johnson has requested that officer to prosecute the man who sold it for failure to brand in accordance with the pure food law.

Arthur Kinaman and Charles Elliott were arrested in York on the charge of having broken into a Burlington freight car and taking therefrom a small case of cigars, several boxes of apples and a package of ready print paper. The cigars were found buried in a field near the city, the ready print paper was destroyed and the apples were eaten. The boys will probably be sent to the reform school.

In accordance with the policy of the present commissioner of Indian affairs, the Winnebago Indian boarding school will not be continued after July 1. A day school will be established in that portion of the reservation where the Indians have their permanent homes. An endeavor will be made to induce them to send their children daily from their homes rather than have them housed, clothed and fed at the expense of the government.

Congressman Boyd is advised that the following pensions have been granted persons residing in the Third district of Nebraska for the week beginning with February 20: Richard J. Rousch, Wayne, \$12; John Buhrow, Bloomfield, \$20; William H. Williams, Schuyler, \$12; Zalmer E. Peck, Palmer, \$15; Isaac W. Britendall, Fremont, \$15; August H. Surber, Waterburg, \$12; Jacob W. Abbott, Chapman, \$12; Jeremiah Mapes, Clearwater, \$12.

Secretary Roysse of the state banking board has issued a call for a statement of the condition of state and private banks at the close of business February 28.

Following are some of the land deals closed last week at Harlan: M. N. Claypool to K. F. Ditch, 256 acres, consideration \$22,000; F. N. Grannis to John Dunlay, 160 acres, consideration \$8,500; D. D. Warner to M. L. Vosburg, 240 acres, consideration \$10,500; M. B. Holland to John G. Meier, 440 acres, consideration \$22,500; John G. Meire to George Dake, 320 acres, consideration \$15,000.

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN



LYDIA E. PINKHAM

No other medicine has been so successful in relieving the suffering of women or received so many genuine testimonials as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

In every community you will find women who have been restored to health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Almost every one you meet has either been benefited by it, or has friends who have.

In the Pinkham Laboratory at Lynn, Mass., any woman any day may see the files containing over one million one hundred thousand letters from women seeking health, and here are the letters in which they openly state over their own signatures that they were cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has saved many women from surgical operations. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is made from roots and herbs, without drugs, and is wholesome and harmless.

The reason why Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is so successful is because it contains ingredients which act directly upon the feminine organism, restoring it to a healthy normal condition.

Women who are suffering from those distressing ills peculiar to their sex should not lose sight of these facts or doubt the ability of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore their health.

LOW ONE-WAY RATES

FROM

Missouri River Terminals (KANSAS CITY TO COUNCIL BLUFFS, INCLUSIVE)

EVERY DAY

March 1 to April 30, 1908

\$30 to San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego, and many other California points.

\$30 To Everett, Bellingham, Vancouver and Victoria, via Spokane.

\$30 To Portland and Astoria.

\$30 To Tacoma and Seattle, via Spokane.

\$30 To Ashland, Roseburg, Eugene, Albany and Salem, including So. Pac. branch lines in Oregon.

\$30 To Spokane and intermediate O. R. & N. points.

VIA

Union Pacific

For full information inquire of

E. L. LOMAX, G. P. A. OMAHA, NEB.

160 Acre FARMS in Western Canada FREE

What a Settler Can Secure in WESTERN CANADA

160 Acres Grain-Growing Land FREE. 20 to 40 Bushels Wheat to the Acre. 40 to 90 Bushels Oats to the Acre. 35 to 50 Bushels Barley to the Acre. Timber for Fencing and Buildings FREE. Good Laws with Low Taxation. Splendid Railroad Facilities and Low Rates. Schools and Churches Convenient. Satisfactory Markets for all Productions. Good Climate and Perfect Health. Chances for Profitable Investments.

Some of the choicest grain-producing lands in Saskatchewan and Alberta may now be acquired in these most healthful and prosperous sections under the

Revised Homestead Regulations by which entry may be made by proxy (on certain conditions), by the father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader. Entry fee in each case is \$10.00. For pamphlet, "Last Best West," particulars as to rates, routes, best time to go and where to locate, apply to W. V. BENNETT, 801 New York Life Building, Omaha, Nebraska.

Don't Rub It In.

Cimmerate with your brother motorist whom you find kneeling in the dust of the road belaboring a punctured tire. The nail manufacturer is a busy man, and there may be another nail further down the pike for you. Pride goes before a puncture, and the haughty man is generally the first to find that he is out of gasoline.

Must Have Hubby's Consent. A Frenchman can secure a divorce from his wife if she goes on the stage without his consent.

Her Models. "I saw a woman standing in front of a big display window in a downtown store the other day," says an observer, "with a little pad in her hand sketching something. I afterward learned that she is one of the high-priced dressmakers in town, and that her success is due more than anything else to her ability to sketch off any gown that one of her customers takes a fancy to and reproduces it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Chinese Faith in Ginseng. Many of the Chinese believe that when all other remedies fail and death is at hand ginseng has the power to bring back health and longevity; hence, when they feel the need of it they will pay fabulous prices for certain kinds of roots. A root to be really valuable as a commodity must come from the mountains of Kirin, or be reputed to have come from there.

Bank of England's Capital. The capital of the Bank of England is \$14,500,000. It has stood at the same figure for the past 90 years.

YOUR EYES. Don't trust your eyes to traveling opticians or pack peddlars. We are the oldest manufacturing opticians in the state—grind our own lenses—make our own frames. Consultation free. Glasses fitted, \$1.00 up. Hutcheson Optical Co., Exclusive Opticians, 212 So. 16th St., Omaha. Factory on premises. Wholesale and Retail.

Greediness Rebuked. At dinner, at a country hotel, Toole was sitting next to a gentleman who had helped himself to an extravagantly large piece of bread. Toole took it up and began to eat a slice from it. "Sir," said the indignant gentleman, "that is my bread." "I beg a thousand pardons, sir," replied the actor, "I mistook it for the loaf."

Convenience in Travel. For women who travel away from home, especially if there is a baby, a home washing apparatus is most convenient. This consists of a small tub and a tiny galvanized iron washboard. These may be placed in the sink and the dainty lingerie and baby clothes washed out without any trouble. The articles may be washed as they become soiled.

Work and Nerves. It is hard on a nervous man to do a big job of complicated mental work, in a short time. On the other hand, if he was not nervous, but phlegmatic, he would never be able to get the job done in time. So, there you are!

The Philosopher of Folly. "They may say what they like," said the Philosopher of Folly, "about the political canvass, but I notice that it sails the Ship of State as often as the wind can be raised."

And She Often Gets It Right. Woman reasons as she drives a nail; closes her eyes and takes a chance at hitting it right.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Final Argument. If a woman can't convince herself any other way that her husband loves her she can do it by remembering he told her so before they were married.—N. Y. Press.

Lots Now Getting Scarce. "We can no longer afford to give a town lot to every subscriber," says the Billville Banner. "We need the few lots we have left for a cemetery to retire to."—Atlanta Constitution.

An Omitted Incident. The shaft sped from the bow of the elder Tell and clove the apple to the core. "Say, dad," remarked Tell, Jr., "that was an arrow escape, wasn't it?"

Omaha Directory

OMAHA THE BRIGHTEST OMAHA SPOT ON THE MAP

A GOOD PLACE to invest your money where you can get from 6% to 10% On Improved Properties. Write Us How Much You Have to Invest

HASTINGS and HEYDEN 1704 Farnam St. Omaha, Nebr.

MONUMENTS Largest stock in the West. Montello Granite a specialty. All lettering done by pneumatic tools. First-class work and lowest prices. Correspondence solicited. Give us a call. J. F. BLOOM & COMPANY, 1815-1817 FARNAM ST., OMAHA.

Drs. Bailey & Mach, The 2d floor, Fallon Block, cor. 10th and Farnam Sts., Omaha, Neb. Dentists. Dental office in the Middle West. Latest appliances. High grade Dentistry. Reasonable prices.

If In Doubt, Buy A JOHN DEERE

Do You Drink Coffee? Why put the cheap, rank, bitter-flavored coffee in your stomach when pure GERMAN-AMERICAN COFFEE costs no more? Get it on having it. Your grocer sells it or can get it.

DON'T FOOL WITH YOUR EYES. By having them examined on by traveling fakers. Come to us for Free Examination. H. J. PENFOLD & CO., Leading Scientific Opticians, 1408 Farnam, Omaha.