

THE ADVERTISER

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 10, 1874.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

Readers of the ADVERTISER are informed that the office of the paper is now located at the corner of Third and Main streets, next door to the Postoffice.

Local notices are not ordinary reading matter, and will be charged ten cents per line, each insertion. For the regular price, twenty-five per cent. additional will be charged.

Authorized Agents.

A. J. HERRICK, at St. Paul, is our authorized agent at that place to receive subscriptions and advertisements, and to collect and remit for money due us.

J. H. BERRY, at St. Paul, is our authorized agent at that place to receive subscriptions and advertisements, and to collect and remit for money due us.

LOCAL MATTERS.

— Renew your subscriptions for 1875 for the ADVERTISER.

— T. L. Schick, Esq., made a hasty business trip to Falls City on Monday of this week.

— Mrs. J. P. Hoover, of Nemaha City, visited Brownville Friday and returned home the same evening.

— The many friends of Dr. Hoover, of Nemaha City, will regret to learn that he is at present lying dangerously ill.

— W. S. Clark called on Monday. He says he will give the young folks a nice dance on Christmas eve, (evening of Thursday the 24th.)

— Plant home grown fruit trees if you would be successful, and get your money's worth for the investment. Oak on Geo. G. Furnas, Brownville.

— Our thanks are due to Mr. Peter Fraker, of San Deroin, for the names of several new subscribers, and especially for the accompanying greenbacks.

— The people of the city who expected to hear the celebrated singer, J. G. Clark, on last Friday evening, were again disappointed. He did not get here. We understand that poor health was the cause.

— J. P. Hoover is our authorized agent at Nemaha City, to receive subscriptions for the ADVERTISER. We hope those down that way who cannot make it convenient to call at our office will call on Mr. Hoover and pay what is due on subscription.

— The many friends of Jack McFall will be pleased to learn that he arrived at Troy, O., without harm or accident. He started from there on the first of this month for Danbury, Conn., where he will, without doubt, pay his respects to the Danbury News.

— "They say" the first three days of December govern the months of December, January and February. If this be true we are to have a most beautiful and mild winter. It is hoped the winter will not be a severe one, for the sake of those who are poorly prepared for even a mild one.

— We have the pleasure, this early, to lay before our subscribers the President's annual message. In this we are no doubt aided of weekly papers generally. Publishing it in supplement form, as extra to our usual amount of reading matter, we incur considerable expense, but we do so in order to get it before our readers at the earliest possible moment. We are not calculating to be excelled, amongst country newspapers, as enterprising newspaper men.

— Get your communications and items to us early as you can—not later than Tuesday night. After that time our paper is closed to correspondents, unless upon very urgent matters. For local news, business notices and advertisements, we hold our paper open until eleven o'clock each Wednesday. Our intention always is to put the paper to press at 12 o'clock on Wednesdays, and very seldom fail in doing so. We do this so that our paper may be distributed through the city on Wednesday evening, and that we may mail it promptly on Thursday morning to other places. In this way it reaches the various towns and postoffices in the county and adjoining counties on publication day.

— Our friend Frank Morris, of this city, called the other evening and gave us a pleasant chat. Amongst other things he related to us a circumstance of comicalness—the parties to which he used to be well acquainted with—which, notwithstanding these times so rife with crime, family infidelities, divorces, &c., caused being "unequally yoked," causes pleasant feelings to permeate our physiology, because it evidences to us that however risky the business may be, May and December may embrace and be happy. A good Presbyterian gentleman about sixty years old, by the name of Shaw, in St. Lawrence county, New York, a few weeks ago took to his bosom to wife, a blooming maiden of eighteen summers. The Shaw went down town as sprightly as a boy of twenty-one, and of course received the congratulations of many friends, as everybody likes the old gentleman. One asked him, "Well, Mr. Shaw, how is Mrs. Shaw this morning?" to which he replied in most perfect and innocent glee: "O, she is just as happy as she can be. I left her sitting on the bed singing, 'A charge to keep I have.'"

— Dr. Stewart has decided to build him a new residence in the spring.

— A. W. Shook, and Z. P. Thornton, of San Deroin, called on Tuesday.

— When you go to Lincoln stop at the Cannon House, sold by travelers to be the best in the city.

— Send in your items of local news. We are pleased to receive them from any and all parts of the county.

— Potatoes were selling on our streets on Monday last at 75 cents. Wm. Bagley had some very fine peach blows which he disposed of at that price.

— J. D. Storms, of Peru precinct, called on his since our last issue, and left with us substantial evidence that he wants the ADVERTISER in his family for another year.

— Wm. Kauffman, Miss Joie Craddock and Manny Lowman, joined the Sons of Temperance on last Friday evening. The Division numbers about 140 members at this time.

— Two boys were drowned at Milford, Neb., recently, by breaking through the ice while skating. Several others came near drowning in their efforts to save their companions.

— Why is it we do not get our Lincoln papers in Brownville until from two to four days after they are published? We get the St. Joe, and Omaha papers the same day they are published.

— The Mayor of Philadelphia has notified the Omaha Aid Society that that city has raised \$1,200 for the sufferers of Nebraska and Kansas, and that the one-half of said amount is subject to the order of the Nebraska society.

— It will be seen by a communication from Superintendent Pierson, published in another column, that Nemaha county has seventy-one good, substantial, school houses. Is there another county in the State can boast as many?

— The largest load of wood it has been our good fortune to receive so far this winter, was delivered to us on Monday last by R. V. Muir. He has evidently measured wood before, and knows that it takes 125 feet of good wood to make a cord.

— W. T. Rogers received by express, from his brother in southern Kansas, a two-bushel box of large, nice, shelled hickory nuts. The boys of the ADVERTISER are under obligations for a liberal portion of them. We opine Wm. and his estimable wife will give our young folks a "cracking party" ere long.

— If you want something for your girls that is nice, warm, and durable, and that will keep the feet dry and comfortable, get Pat Kline to make them ladies' boots. They are just the thing to wear through mud and snow to school. Pat has just fitted our girls out with such wear, and we and they are well pleased.

— The Trunk railroad company has put in a "Y" at its junction with the Brownville & Ft. K. railroad, which cost \$5,000. We ask those who imagine that the latter road is to be abandoned, why has Dr. Converse put in this "Y"? It is certainly useless unless to turn trains on and off the Brownville & Ft. K. road when they go to work on it again.

— We had the pleasure on Tuesday of this week, of meeting in our city Dr. Converse of the M. P. railroad, Mr. K. Fleming, general ticket agent of the same railroad, and J. C. Shurtz, steward of the insane asylum, all of Lincoln. Mr. Fleming is here to see our merchants on the matter of transferring freight to our city. He thinks he will soon be enabled to make it to the interest of Brownville to receive freight via Nebraska City over the Midland Pacific. What! Competition already commenced? Is that not for the interest of our people?

— Peter Taylor, the boss track-layer on the Midland, says track laying and finishing will go on with the greatest possible energy until the road is made ready for the cars from Nebraska City to Brownville. Six miles of rails have been borrowed from the Brownville & Ft. Kearney, which enables work to proceed for the present uninterrupted. By the time that iron shall be put down, it is hoped the iron across the river can be crossed over to this side. By this arrangement, if the weather continues so that out-door labor can be done at all, Brownville and Peru will have an operating railroad in a very short time. The people of the county may vote the bonds up, or they may vote them down, but this they cannot prevent.

— The Falls City Journal has recently improved very much editorially. Some of its editorials read very much as if Col. Sam Rich were around the Journal's sanctum. For instance in an editorial discussing the merits of Perry's agricultural speech, delivered at the late State Fair, and printed in pamphlet form, the Journal says:

"We would like to know by what authority the president of our State Board of Agriculture employs frowny eastern professors, of the moss-covered, rock-rooted, idolatrous school, to fustigate their exploded political quibbles at the expense of the farmers, and those who support our State Fairs. This importation of a Connecticut professor, with a skull seven hundred and fifty years thick, looks to us very much as if it was the intention of our sporting president to convert our State Fairs into political bawling matches, wherein Democratic fossils may vend their cracked and broken wares."

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— "Peru Points" too late.

— We learn by Clayt. Shurtz that Maj. Caffrey has sold his Blade.

— The city Council has passed an ordinance requiring a license on pig-stone-hole tables.

— A. J. Berry says he is happy to inform us that it's a girl; weight nine and a half pounds.

— The poor farm building is now completed. It is a good building, and one that was much needed.

— The editor of the ADVERTISER went down to St. Joe on Wednesday of this week and will return on Friday.

— The communication of A. Kearns reaches us too late for this week's paper, it being so lengthy. It shall appear next week.

— The carpenters of this place are all busy. Perry & Berger inform us they have work now contracted for to keep them busy until the first of June.

— Another new school house to be built. The good people in the Ney-smith settlement, tiring of their old house, have decided to build a new one, and have engaged the services of Perry & Drury of this city to do the work for them.

— Mr. Isaac Clark, proprietor of the stage line from this city to San Deroin, is prepared to carry passengers and freight to and from all points on the line at very liberal rates. All business entrusted to him will receive prompt attention.

— An effort is being made to lay a side walk on Second street from Atlantic north to the bridge between Nemaha and Nebraska. This is a good move, and all living in that part of the city should give liberally to insure its completion.

— The Missouri river is a regular nuisance at this time. You can scarcely get across it in any way, whether on the ice or in a boat, and it is impossible to cross any kind of goods; and those who have business which requires crossing the river have got to wait until it freezes more solidly or breaks up entirely.

— We notice that Clarence Gillespie, Esq., for many years a practicing lawyer of Tecumseh, has removed to Falls City and entered into partnership with S. S. Price, Esq. We know Mr. Gillespie well, and know him to not only be a good lawyer, but a reliable business man and a perfect gentleman in every sense of the word.

— George Furnas' team got away from him again on Tuesday, and after tearing around town awhile and tearing the bed off his spring wagon, it ran down Main street until it straddled Bill Small's awning posts, when it stopped suddenly. Nobody was hurt, which was fortunate, considering the number of people on the street at the time.

— The St. Joe Gazette says a gentleman of that city who has watched the weather for forty years says that when the first snow is followed by a rain, such is the way with every snow storm of the winter. This he claims is not theory, but is knowledge gained by actual observation by himself for the last forty years, and by his father for thirty years previous.

— The Douphlan, County (Kas.) Republican relates the following electioneering incident: Candidate—Madam, I am a candidate for the important office of—what is your husband vote for me?

Madam—I can't tell you, sir; you will have to see him in person. Candidate—(seeing some pretty girls peeping from the house.) But, madam, I am not only a candidate for office, but I am a candidate for matrimony. You see, I am trying to kill two birds with one stone.

Madam—So you are, are you? Well, one stone may do well enough for electioneering purposes, but it won't do to hunt a wife with.

— Notwithstanding the fact that we have had reason to entertain the opinion that the railroad bond proposition would be defeated in the county, we nevertheless think it should not be defeated, and urge upon the voters of the county in every locality to reconsider any resolution they may have made to vote against it. We do this confidently believing that we understand the situation sufficiently well to say that to vote down the proposition they will do the most harmful thing to themselves they ever did in their lives. Many believe and will vote against bonds because they believe, the road is sure to be built anyhow. Right there is where the danger lies. There is no reason for saying it is a sure thing anyhow. Railroads are not built in the west without aid from counties, towns or precincts, there are no instances of the kind. Large towns—Omaha, Lincoln, Nebraska City, St. Joseph, where it would seem railroads would naturally go for the construction of railroads, and they grow and prosper. Why should we be an exception? We tell the people most positively that we are not and will not be an exception. We will be compelled to indicate our state of railroads and our willingness to aid in building them or will continue to do without railroads, and continue to mope along afflicted with a kind of dry rot while other counties all over the State, with more enterprising people, take hold of such matters with firm hands, vote their bonds, get their railroads and move on in the high road of financial prosperity. Our people should look at the matter in all its bearings, conclude honestly and candidly what is the safer course to pursue and cast their votes accordingly.

— We call the particular attention of every one of our Nemaha county readers to the communications of Dr. Converse and H. C. Lett, in this issue. They should be, we think, satisfactory, entirely, as explanations why the iron has been taken for the time being from the Brownville & Ft. Kearney R. R. As we have said heretofore, that iron was doing no body any good, and it was therefore taken in a case of extreme emergency, to be replaced whenever called upon to do so.

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RAILROAD MATTERS.

PLAIN TALK WITH THE PEOPLE.

We are frequently asked the question—"Do you not think they will stop the work on the railroad when it gets to Brownville?" We answer most candidly just what we believe, and have the best of reasons for being almost certain of, and that is: If the bond proposition is voted down, the road will stop here until they are voted. And we know that this railroad company which has had the best of reasons for expecting such aid as proposed, is now resolved not to ask aid soon again, probably not for years to come; but will leave it, the next time, for the people to rise up in the majesty of all their strength and say they want railroads, and when they want them, and that they, beyond a peradventure, are willing to aid, in some degree, their construction. On the other hand, if the proposition should carry, and the company assisted in the way proposed, and promised, work will scarcely be suspended until a southern connection is reached. It is not reasonable to suppose that grading can be pushed rapidly during the winter months; but ere this time in 1875, if the voters of this county do not go back on Dr. Converse on what they have done heretofore, and what they ought to do again, in good faith, and compel work to stop, the Trunk will be flushed up from north to south, and the Brownville and Ft. Kearney will be finished to Tecumseh, the K. C., St. Jo. & C. B. will swing into the river, all of which enterprises we regard, and so understand by interested and intelligent railroad men, as absolutely contingent upon the fate of our present aid proposition.

A correspondent a week or two ago wondered why the fate of the Trunk proposition should effect in any manner the Brownville & Ft. K. road. It effects it vitally, in this way—those having in hand the building of the Brownville & Ft. K. road cannot induce capitalists to invest in a piece of a road that has no eastern connection. That is just what the matter; and we know by the expressed opinions of railroad men that the Trunk, or this Midland extension, is all that is necessary to meet the requirements of an eastern connection—to insure, at the earliest possible day, the completion of the western road to Tecumseh. The connection with a through line, nearly direct to Chicago and St. Louis, will be amply satisfactory, for the building of the Trunk will create a competition and rivalry between that road and the K. C., St. Jo. & C. B. road, and cause the latter road to swing in to the east bank of the river, all of which would redound to the advantage of the whole people of Nemaha county.

Here we wish to say that we write the honest sentiments of our heart, having no reason for, or interest in, doing otherwise. We are not taking a position at the instigation of Dr. Converse, or any other man; we have not heard from or seen him in regard to the matter. We have just the same interest in the building of railroads as has any other citizen—no more, no less. That which will benefit the people generally will benefit us, and that which is not for the general good is an injury to us; and thus we come to the conclusion that it will be for our good, and the benefit of the entire people of the county, if we will but move forward in the direction we have started—vote the bonds to aid the building of this road, favor these great enterprises in every way, and then if we fall to get the road the blame will not be with us, as it surely will be if we vote the bonds down.

— If the people of Nemaha could be made to understand that to vote in favor of bonds they would get the railroad, but that to vote against bonds they would get no railroad, what would they do? The bond question would carry largely of course. Now is it morally certain that the question of railroads or no railroads does not hinge upon that proportion? No one can be sure that it does not so depend. Then if you are not sure, you have a doubt about it; hence, the doubt you have that unless bonds are voted you will not get the road, should determine you at once to take the chances in favor of bonds.

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TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

TO BE HELD AT ASPENWALL DECEMBER 18th AND 19th.

I will hold a teachers' institute at Aspenwall, commencing Friday evening, December 18th, and holding over Saturday. Hon. J. S. Church has consented to be present Friday evening and address the meeting. I have visited the teachers of this part of the county, and all have agreed to attend. Mrs. J. S. Minick has promised, also, that we shall not lack for music.

With the prospects we anticipate a profitable and interesting time. Arrangements will be made to accommodate those from a distance.

Nearly all the schools in the county are now in session. Out of the seventy-three districts there are but two without school houses. Four new school houses were built during the past season; none costing less than \$800.

In answer to the many inquiries from the teachers throughout the county in regard to blanks, I would say that I have written to the State Superintendent for them, and he answered that he would send them as soon as printed.

D. W. PIERSON, Co. Supt.

The rapid sale of goods has caused us to defer our auction sale for a few days. We are really giving goods away, as we must close by the first of January. Such a chance to get goods cheap I presume will never occur again in Brownville.

MRS. D. E. BERKLEY.

Clothing for men and boys in great variety and at bottom prices, at Geo. Marlon's.

Fine hip girths for 40 cents at Mrs. Berkley's.

McCOLLUM'S SALOON.

Small's old stand, Brownville, Nebraska. Best wines and liquors kept on hand.

RILEY McCOLLUM, Prop.

Six pair of fine English hose for \$1, at Mrs. Berkley's.

Hats for 40 cents that cost \$1.25, at Mrs. Berkley's.

Keep the largest and best selected stock of ribbons and fancy goods at Louis Lowman's.

If you want something to eat when in town in the shape of a nice lunch—good bread and butter, boiled ham, cheese, &c., go to Sam Hall's.

Dress goods, fancy goods, just opening at L. Lowman's.

A RAILROAD EXCURSION.

Being contemplated at a very early day, he has gone and purchased, and now has in store, the largest stock of DRUGS ever brought to this market. Those non-explosive lamps on hand again. Just call in and hear him explain the merits of that lamp, and look through his stock.

New Bed Steads, Carpets, Bureaus, and Wash Stands, cheap for cash, at Roy's Furniture Store. Call soon.

A choice selection of plain and fancy ribbon at Louis Lowman's.

CLOTHING.

If you wish cheap suits, call and see our stock of clothing.

F. E. JOHNSON & Co.

Ladies' hats for fall and winter, new styles, at L. Lowman's.

Soap five cents a bar at Wibley's cash store.

County Orders.

Taken in exchange for dry goods by F. E. Johnson & Co.

School Books at Nickels Drug store, next door to State Bank.

Boots and Shoes for men, ladies and children, at L. Lowman's.

YOU ARE INTERESTED.

If you regard life and property go and see the Non-Explosive Lamp at H. C. Lett's drug-store.

LONDON LISTINGS.

— Weather changeable but pleasant for the winter time.

— Most of the sick round about are slowly recovering.

— Farmers are still gathering in their corn. Rather late in the season, when there was so little to gather.

— These pleasant days have started out the threshing machines again. Most of the grain is now threshed out.

— The Rev. Mr. Wheeler is a live preacher. Go and hear him. Mrs. Wheeler is an intelligent, agreeable lady. Call and see her.

— Preparations are making for a Christmas Tree on the 24th of December. Come with your presents and a pleasant social time. The mind must have relaxation from labor and study, or the consequences will be evil.