

THE ADVERTISER.

THURSDAY, DEC. 30, 1875.

THE CALENDAR.

Daily Stage Line South. From Brownville to Argo, Falls City and...

Nebraska Railway. From Brownville to Argo, Falls City and...

Brownville Has Line to Phelps. Leave Brownville 7:30 a. m., 1:30 p. m., 5:30 p. m.

Chicago & North Western Railway. Trains at Council Bluffs arrive and depart as follows...

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A specimen of the new art of drawing, called lithography, done by Messrs. Neidhart & Butts, of the marble yard, in this city, can be seen at the post office. It is claimed that this brings within the range of any one possessing the machine, the ability to reproduce any picture as well as to enlarge the same, giving a perfect fac simile thereof.

It was our much esteemed friend, Mr. Joseph Body, that furnished one of the largest and fattest turkeys for our Christmas dinner. This token of appreciation of THE ADVERTISER, is gratifying to our pride as well as our appetite, and as we help ourselves to a slice of the breast we return grateful thanks to the Body Bros. who take pride in furnishing everything in the line of meats that the country affords.

In the "special notices" that Mr. Den gives to his customers, about opening a new book, a dreadful mistake occurred last week. That book is to be opened January 1st, 1876 and not a year hence, as we typographical error made it appear last week. Those who anticipate having their names enrolled on Mr. Den's new book, will please read that "special notice" again, and carefully note the correction.

Treasurer Gilmore informs us that the people are responding very promptly to his call for payment of taxes on personal property. In view of the effort being made, apparently by everybody, to pay, the treasurer will further continue his indulgence for a few days. Meantime let every one square up their taxes, if within their power to do so. Mr. Gilmore is disposed to be as lenient as he possibly can be, conscientiously, in his official capacity.

The county commissioners met last Saturday and commenced suit in the district court for the restoration to the county of the bonds, amounting to \$88,000, issued as aid to the Brownville & Ft. K. R. R., and held by agreement by Jno. L. Carson and Wm. H. Hoover. These bonds are the balance of the \$118,000 voted by the county some years ago to said road, \$40,000 of which were delivered to the company when the first ten miles of the road were completed.

We are pleased to announce that R. A. Hawley and D. E. Douglas have formed a copartnership as dealers in farm implements and agricultural machinery. We predict that Hawley & Douglas will make a stiff firm, and be general favorites with the farmers of the county. Already has this firm drawn trade to this city that has heretofore gone to Nebraska City, and now that they have their new office built, and a large stock of goods on hand, we predict for them a heavy trade.

The proceedings of the Institute at Rosefield school house, reached us too late for last week's issue, is matter entirely too old for publication now, considering the short distance it had to travel to reach us, and the time it had after the close of the Institute. We decline all such matter after it has become a week or two old. The Secretary should have been more prompt in making up and forwarding his manuscript.

We are always pleased to publish such matter if furnished us while new. The Saunders House dinners are proverbial as the par excellence of everything that's good. Harry Ford would suicide himself if he made a failure on an occasion of this kind. St. Joe Herald.

We reprint the above for the benefit of our readers who may visit St. Joe. We always stop at the Saunders House, and have always found the fare and all the appointments of the house to be of the best character; and the landlords, clerks and attendants are pleasant, courteous and accommodating, and leave nothing undone, that should be done to make their guests comfortable.

As our paper is about ready for the press we receive the sorrowful news of the death of Dr. F. G. Holmes, residence near Nemaha City. The Doctor was in poor health for some months, but he was not considered dangerously ill until about ten days ago. He breathed his last on Tuesday evening the 28th inst., at 10 o'clock, aged 48. Dr. Holmes was a citizen of this county about nineteen years, and was well known and universally esteemed. The estimable family of deceased have our unfeigned sympathy. A more extended notice of his life and death will be published hereafter.

E. W. Thomas, Esq. is circulating within the city a petition asking Governor Garber to commute the penalty of Dodge, one of the murderers of a man named McGuire, to imprisonment for life. Dodge is now under sentence of death. Notwithstanding our opinion that he is guilty of cold blooded murder, we signed the petition. We did it because we do not believe in capital punishment, and regard the death penalty as a perpetration of a barbarous law. To one who desires to subscribe to such principle, and in so bold a manner identify themselves with it, can do so by calling at Mr. Thomas' office.

Leavitt's Bell Ringers gave exhibitions in this city on last Friday and Saturday evenings. This is one of the most interesting little shows we ever attended. The bell ringing is splendid, the singing good, but Eads, in his comical characters, just knocks the socks off of any funny man in the world we believe. It is the general opinion that he excels Alf Burnett, and if he does that he will "do to travel." He is irresistibly funny and the oldest man, the most sedate or stoical had better loosen up their vests and waistbands before they see themselves in front of him or witness his excessively ludicrous performances.

It will not be improper here to say that the approaches to the bridge above alluded to are entirely too narrow, nothing near the width that the law requires roads to be. They are barely of sufficient width for one wagon to pass, and therefore damages that any one might sustain on account of the embankment, either in person or property, would be recoverable from the county. The commissioners should see that these approaches are widened.

One of the happiest parties we have attended for many a day was that given by the Bennetts near Nemaha City on Christmas eve. Our pleasure was greatly enhanced by meeting many old friends there whom we do not frequently see. There were from fifty to seventy ladies and gentlemen present, and all enjoyed themselves in the giddy mazes of the dance until nearly the dawn of the morning. Mr. John Summers and Henry Westfall furnished the music. They are pleasant gentlemen and good violinists, and just suit such a crowd of pleasure seekers for they will "stay with the boys," and girls too, for as long as they desire to do so. And the supper—we must not forget that, for there was no feature of the occasion that we enjoyed so well as Mrs. Bennett's delicious coffee and cake and other good things of the richly furnished tables. We return thanks to all for the courtesies and kindness shown us, and hope to enjoy many more such occasions with our friends whom we met there.

A man named Steele, who resides we understand, near Peru, came to Brownville last week and got on a drunk. On leaving town, when near the old distillery his horse ran away and one of them running against a tree was killed. When the team and tree collided, the wagon was smashed into pieces and the driver left lying limp and senseless beneath the debris. The surviving horse, somewhat damaged, was caught at Squire Kennedy's. A passing citizen seeing the dead horse, the ruins of the wagon, and a rather dilapidated image of God lying in the midst, dead to all appearance, hastened on to town, and informed Marshal McCabe of the matter, when the marshal with Dr. Crane, speedily repaired to the scene of the tragedy. Carefully removing the spinners and broken wagon from the image, it was found, sure enough to be dead—drunk; and after lying in the city calaboose all night was able to maintain again an upright attitude, and went home feeling very mean for having made such a fool of himself.

We did not receive the Peru items last week until Wednesday evening—after our paper was printed. So, of course, they were too late. We insert this week, such of the items as are appropriate. Correspondents would do well to remember that we go to press always on Wednesday, and try to get our matter ready by noon of that day. Therefore, communications, letters, and all matters of considerable length, should reach us on Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning at the latest. Important legal advertisements or other brief matters of importance are admissible at any time before going to press, but it would greatly accommodate us to receive all matter for the paper on Tuesday.

We receive our Peru mail daily, in the evening; so correspondence for our paper from that direction should be mailed on or before Tuesday. The same rule will apply to correspondence from Nemaha City, Aspinwall and St. Deroin—matter intended for our paper, from either of the directions named, if mailed on Wednesday, will reach us too late for publication that week.

There have been three shooting matches in the vicinity of Brownville since our last issue. On Thursday last a match came off near Home-wood's mill, and out of 18 turkeys shot for the Brownville boys got away with 12; seven of which were won by W. T. Craddock, John Moore, and Jim Cochran 3; the other names we did not get. At Nemaha City, last Friday, only six turkeys were shot for, and the Brownville marksmen present, Inks, Cochran and Moore, won all of them. Brownville seems able to "wear the belt," unless better marksmen can be snared up in the country than has been so far.

On Christmas day a match came off on the Brownville grounds, at which some excellent shooting was done. Bowen won on four consecutive shots, and Henry Brown, the colored man, made his first good shooting at the matches—winning on five consecutive shots, the furthest shot being not more than three-fourths of an inch from centre. Jim Cochran and Mat. Alderman each won three turkeys, and Mr. Moore got one. There is another match at Brownville to-day (Thursday), at the usual place below town.

Grant Clover, of Nemaha City, and Thom. Christian, of Stevens' saloon, this city, had not good fortune favored them on their return from Bennett's dance last Saturday morning, would have furnished us a frightful accident to chronicle. It was rather thrilling and scary the way it was. The boys, with three ladies in Ben. Roger's covered spring wagon, about four o'clock in the morning—when it was very dark—started for home, and were on the west embankment approach of the bridge across the slough at S. Howe's place, when the horses stepping out of the road the carriage upset and rolled down the embankment about twenty feet. The carriage canvas being well buttoned down, the occupants were secure enough inside, the horses becoming frightened, tore loose from the driver, and ran away; the top of the carriage coming off was left behind, thus saving the cooped-up occupants from being killed or badly hurt. But it was none received worse hurts than slight scratches or bruises, though one of the girls insisted for a while that her neck was broke. The horses were found next day mired in the slough two or three hundred yards from the place of the upset. They were all right save being badly chilled by remaining in the mud and water for several hours. The carriage was considerably damaged, but not so badly as it might have been had the horses not so soon and suddenly been brought to a halt by the swamp.

Mr. Arthur Farnas, of Lincoln, spent his Christmas at the home of his parents in this city. He will return to Lincoln next week. Mr. Pat Burke, of Aspinwall, said to be an expert with the "gloves," was in the city on Thursday last, and was the guest at dinner, of Mr. Arthur Walsh. Mr. Clayt. Shurts, Steward, and Col. Methewson, one of the Trustees of the Hospital for the Insane, at Lincoln, came down to Brownville Saturday evening and returned on Monday. They called at our office, but not being in we had not the pleasure of meeting the gentleman.

Auction next Saturday noon for Geo. Marion. A Man Broke his Back in trying to carry away the groceries and confectioneries which he bought at Nace & Phillips' and paid for with a five dollar bill. SPECIAL NOTICE To all, to come forward and settle up, as I intend to open a new book January 1st, 1876, and no goods will be put upon the book until this year's accounts are settled. W. T. DEN.

Go to Judkins and get Palmyra flour. For New Year's. Just received a fresh supply of fine, pure jewelry, by Joseph Schutz. That is the place to get a present for your friend, that will last. Flour and Feed for sale by Hawley and Douglas. 1876 Diaries at Nickell's drug store, sign of big mortar. Just received, another fresh lot of assorted candles for Christmas, by B. Stroble. Challenge! One ear of corn will turn the Howe scales put up by Hawley & Douglas, try them and compare. Good Dry Oak Wood, delivered to any part of the City, at \$5.00 a cord, by W. T. Den. The best stock of the best Wagons on wheels, are for sale by HAWLEY & DOUGLAS.

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Watch Night Service. There will be a watch night service beginning at 9 o'clock Friday evening, December 31st, in the M. E. Church. This meeting will take the place of the regular Thursday prayer meeting. Sermon will be preached during the evening. All christians are cordially invited. J. M. B. [Communicated.] The Week of Prayer. The first week in January has come to be very generally observed by the evangelical churches as a season of special prayer. The appointment is likely to be more generally noticed the coming season than heretofore. The widely diffused desire and expectation of a special work of grace will have the effect to lead to more diligent use of the means of grace, both common and special. The Evangelical Alliance have sent out their annual suggestion of topics for prayer during the first week of 1876. Sunday, Jan. 2, Sermons—The love of God perfected in him who "keepeth His word"—1 John, ii., 5. Monday, Jan. 3, Thanksgiving and Confession—A retrospect of the past year. Tuesday, Jan. 4, Prayer for the Church of Christ—For the members recently added to the Church; for the union of true believers in fraternal fellowship and active co-operation; for the removal of error, the increase of godliness and a clearer testimony among believers to the doctrines and the power of the Gospel of the grace of God. Wednesday, Jan. 5, Prayer for Families—For godless parents; for prodigal sons; for children at school; for those entering upon professional and commercial life; for widows and orphans; for sons and daughters in foreign lands; and for all who are mentally or otherwise afflicted. Thursday, Jan. 6, Prayer for Rulers, Magistrates and Statesmen—for soldiers and sailors; for national institutions; for philanthropic and charitable societies; for prisoners and captives, and for the persecuted and oppressed. Friday, Jan. 7, Prayer for Christian Missions—and for the conversion of the world to Christ. Saturday, Jan. 8, Prayer for all Nations—for the maintenance of peace; for the cessation of tumults, wars and civil strife, and for the removal of intolerance, immorality and infidelity from the land. Sunday, Jan. 9, Sermons—The ultimate triumph. Psalms, lxxix., 17. Prayer meetings will be held in the churches as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in the Presbyterian Church, and Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening in the M. E. Church. Prayer meeting will begin at 7 o'clock p. m.

PERSONALS. At a late meeting of the State Grange, Church Howe was elected Master. Thanks to Capt. Minick, of Aspinwall, for favors in behalf of THE ADVERTISER. Mr. Newt McCoy, of Pawnee City, spent his Christmas in our city, and gave THE ADVERTISER a pleasant call. Wash Wilson has been in town a day or two this week. He never will stop telling us about that yard of buffalo he once presented to us. A man named Steele, who resides we understand, near Peru, came to Brownville last week and got on a drunk. On leaving town, when near the old distillery his horse ran away and one of them running against a tree was killed. When the team and tree collided, the wagon was smashed into pieces and the driver left lying limp and senseless beneath the debris. The surviving horse, somewhat damaged, was caught at Squire Kennedy's. A passing citizen seeing the dead horse, the ruins of the wagon, and a rather dilapidated image of God lying in the midst, dead to all appearance, hastened on to town, and informed Marshal McCabe of the matter, when the marshal with Dr. Crane, speedily repaired to the scene of the tragedy. Carefully removing the spinners and broken wagon from the image, it was found, sure enough to be dead—drunk; and after lying in the city calaboose all night was able to maintain again an upright attitude, and went home feeling very mean for having made such a fool of himself.

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