

They have a variety of Grapes at Burlington which ripen in June. They are called the Ives grape.

There are, according to the Beatrice Express, nine saloons, and no school house or church in Crete. If such is the fact, we fully agree with the "Ancient" that it is a fine field for some zealous missionary.

Senator Tipton was in Omaha, yesterday, and the editor of the Tribune claims that he has authority for saying that the Senator is opposed to the re-election of President Grant.

Married, on the evening of July the first, by Elder G. B. Mullis, Mr. B. P. BRYAN to Miss S. E. STAPFER, all of Plattsmouth.

A letter was received this morning from Wm. Stadelmann, Esq., in which he says he has been to visit Germany on the 1st of July and arrive at home in this city about the 20th inst.

The Saline county Post learns from Rev. D. E. Jones, of the organization of Plymouth colony, in Jefferson county, that over 5,000 acres have already been taken in parcels of 160 each, and that breaking has already been done on many of the tracts. Plymouth colony is already a success.

The mercury at 96° makes ice cream a pleasant refreshment. Wiley can "cook you up" a dish of it that will make you "feel like a morning star."

The July number of Wood's Household Magazine, is on our table. This work is pre-eminently what its title indicates, a magazine for the household: to be read and studied by every member of the household. It is one you can recommend to your friends, and so cheap no family can afford to do without it—only \$1.00 per year. Address S. S. Wood & Co., Newburg, N. Y.

The Saline county Post says that stages leave Crete daily for Pleasant Hill on the arrival of the 4 o'clock, p. m. train, and tri-weekly for Swan City and Beatrice, Thursday and Saturday mornings. It is reported that the line to Beatrice will be changed to a daily the first of July, and that soon a line will be put on from this place up the Blue.

We understand that Capt H. E. Palmer added the St. Joseph (Mo.) Fire and Marine Insurance Co., and the People's Insurance Co. of San Francisco to his list of Companies. This gives the Capt. a No. 1 list, where all can suit themselves. He informs us that all risks in the defunct Lamar Co., can be insured in the Peoples without extra fee.

Street Commissioner White is busy repairing bridges, culverts, etc., where they were injured by the high waters.

Farmers are coming to the conclusion that their crops were not all destroyed by the hail. Our original estimate of a half crop will not miss the mark far.

The "De Witt" is the name of another one of those splendid Manchester Locomotives which arrived in this city this afternoon, direct from the shops.

Some time since we urged the Omaha papers to publish the weather predictions so as to enable the people in this country to avoid losses. Had we been in possession of such predictions relative to weather as are published in Chicago, many thousands of dollars would have been saved by timely provision against the late storms. We again urge our enterprising neighbors to attend to this matter. It will secure them a much larger circulation than they have, and be an incalculable benefit to Nebraska farmers. If the observer at Omaha is indisposed to work up the results of his observations so as to give approximate indications of the weather for the next twenty-four hours, perhaps arrangements could be made with the Chicago observer. We are glad to see that live paper, the Omaha Herald, admit the importance of our suggestions; and we hope Dr. Miller will give us the predictions, as they will prove invaluable to our farmers.

Since our old friend T. J. Majors ceased to visit Cass county, and since he has become an officer of the Government, we are glad to note an important reform in him. Instead of wearing unkempt locks and "punching" billiards, we are pleased to find his name as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Brownville, as it appears in the following card, which we copy from the Brownville Advertiser of the 6th inst.:

Barrens, Cass county.—Corner Fourth and Atlantic streets. Services every Sabbath except the third in each month, at 10 o'clock, A. M. and 7 P. M. Sunday school at 10 A. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening.

T. J. MAJORS, Pastor. Almost every newspaper you pick up contains a story about some woman who swallowed a needle and pulled it out of her toe 75 or 80 years afterward. We know of a stranger case. A printer in one employ accidentally swallowed a for type and a piece of paper some months ago. Well he heard nothing from them for all those long months until a few days since, when he felt a severe pain in his shoulder, proceeding from a swelling. He had a doctor to lance the tumor when it actually discharged a neatly printed newspaper, looking very much like an enlarged copy of the Ashland Times. The printer is now doing well. With what wonderful accuracy does nature accommodate herself to circumstances.—Ashland Times.

Over which shoulder, brother Stockton? We incline to the belief it should be the left. In the Island of Goa, near Bombay, there is a singular vegetable called "the sorrowful tree," because it only flourishes at sunset. At sunset no flowers are seen, and yet half an hour after that it is quite full of them. They yield a sweet smell, but the sun no sooner begins to shine on them, than some of them fall off, and others close up; and thus it continues to flower in the night during all the year.

THE SPEECH OF WELCOME.

Will Dr. Miller, the gentleman who is such a great stickler for having newspaper men make speeches, please tell us who made the welcoming address to the Indiana editors upon their arrival in Omaha? Was it Dr. Miller, or was it Mr. Balcombe, or was "the press of the neighboring city so bankrupt in talent as to be compelled to go outside the editorial corps for an organ" or to do without a reception speech entirely? The Omaha Herald will please "explain without raving."

CHANGE OF PASTURE.

It is an old time remark among stock men that "a change of pasture makes fat cattle, and we doubt not that the same rule will often hold good with mankind. The B. & M. Co. have changed their eating station from Malvern to Pacific Junction, and we are fully satisfied that the eating and traveling public will lose nothing by the change. The Nye House cannot be beat in the west for a "square meal."

AGENTS WANTED.

We noticed, a few days since, that O. P. Austin, Esq., was agent for the sale of Prof. Trumbull's Family Record.—Since writing that notice we learn that Mr. Austin has been appointed general agent for the sale of that beautiful work, and that he will probably appoint sub-agents in different parts of the State.—Persons desiring a copy of the work, or an appointment as sub-agents, will address Mr. Austin at this city.

MAGNIFICENT!

Such is the involuntary ejaculation of nearly every one who sees Trumbull's Family Record, the original of which was executed by Prof. Trumbull, of Chicago, with a pen. It is a beautiful design, 20x24 inches, and would be an ornament in any house in Nebraska. The different scenes depicted by the pen of the author are indeed evidences of skill. O. P. Austin, Esq., is agent for the sale of this beautiful engraving, and will call upon the citizens of the city and county during the next few days. He is attending college, and is endeavoring to make a portion of his tuition money in this manner during vacation. They are sold only by subscription, at \$2.50 per copy.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY.

Fine Marble Quarries Four Miles From Plattsmouth.

Mr. Thos. Thomas has just opened a marble quarry on his place four miles from Plattsmouth, on the line of the B. & M. R. R., which bids fair to become one of the most valuable quarries in the United States. We had the pleasure of examining a piece of the polished marble this morning, which is superior in quality to the finest Italian marble. Mr. Thomas has had it tested by experienced workers in Marble, and they assure him that it is not only susceptible of a much better polish than any marble they have ever seen, but that it can be engraved upon with all ease. It is of a grayish color, and is found on Mr. Thomas' place in unlimited quantities. Specimens of the rough stone can be seen at the HERALD office.

A VERY YOUNG BASCAL.

A lad of only ten years attempts to Steal a Horse.

A boy only about ten years old came to the residence of Mr. John Ahl, twelve miles west of this city, last Saturday, having in his possession a bridle and whip. Mr. Ahl gave him his dinner, and the boy started away. In the evening he was again seen in the vicinity of the pasture, where there were several loose horses. Later in the evening Mr. Craig discovered him apparently endeavoring to untie a horse from the hind end of his wagon. He took the lad into his wagon, and took him to Mr. Ahl's house, when he was accused of trying to take a horse from the pasture. The little fellow admitted that he had been trying most of the afternoon to catch one of the horses, and that he had stolen the bridle and whip from "The Rock House on the creek"—(the farm of Mayor White, where Mr. McCracken lives). Mr. McCracken identified the bridle and whip as having been taken from his stable. The boy gave his name as Nutz; said he lived in a little house near Heisel's mill, in Plattsmouth, and that his step-father, whose name was McGehee, was in jail somewhere in Iowa. Mr. Ahl kept the boy until Monday morning, when he told him to go about his business and not attempt to steal any more horses. There should be some legal method of curing a boy of this kind, for he could certainly be reclaimed from the course he seems to be following.

The people of Cass county have formed an Agricultural Society. D. H. Wheeler, President and H. D. Hathaway Secretary. Hathaway will imitate Greeley and tell Nebraskans what he knows about farming.—Chronicle.

Our success as a farmer is not of the most brilliant character, consequently we shall leave Greeley master of the situation on that subject. A princess was born to King Ahasuerus at an early hour this morning. The King can probably appreciate, to day, the extremely young song of the Bakers last evening.—"Long live our noble King," and the—baby.

The Chronicle records our call upon the Attorney General to commence suit for the recovery of the money which R. J. Silver testified they had defrauded the State of. Will Mr. Attorney General proceed in the case, and that before it is too late.

The Vestry of St. Luke's Parish are requested to meet at Dr. Livingston's office, on Friday evening next, at 7:30 P. M.

Another attempt at Suicide in Omaha yesterday resulted in a complete failure. A stomach pump completely upset the plan of the would-be suicide.

THE ORATORIO OF ESTHER.

A Splendid Triumph!

On Saturday evening last, the spacious Fitzgerald's Hall was filled with a highly delighted audience, at the rendition of the Cantata of Esther, "The beautiful Queen." As we have before predicted, we now affirm that a Plattsmouth audience was never more delighted—never had an occasion to be more proud than while seeing and hearing our singers perform in this splendid Oratorio, commencing as it does with a grand, swelling chorus—"Hanan, Hanan, long live Hanan," while each singer was arrayed in a becoming costume, many of which were extremely brilliant and beautiful—the stage presenting a splendid appearance, such as cannot be witnessed outside the largest cities. It was truly magnificent; every eye riveted, and every ear delighted. It is wonderful how, that in a space of time, less than two weeks, that which took two hours to perform, could be so thoroughly committed to memory—not a perceptible mistake occurring, not a book of any description visible to the audience.

Before the curtain rose, the Rev. R. Foster gave a short, but decidedly interesting review of the prominent characters contained in the Cantata, in a very happy manner.

Miss Ella Crocker, ever pleasant and popular as a lady and musician, has won fresh laurels as "Esther, the beautiful Queen." Right regally did she sustain her difficult part; whether arrayed in habiliments of mourning for her people, or clad in the gay robes of the court; whether in representing a young and lovely woman, jeopardizing her life for her people, or in the daring and dashing act of pointing out and exposing the guilty Hanan—all was well done.

Mr. J. N. Wise, one of our best singers, performed the part of the great Ahasuerus, King of all Media and Persia. He seemed to fully comprehend and enter into the spirit of the character he was representing. The Kingly costume and glittering Crown he wore appeared to fit our friend Wise, as well as though he had been the old monarch himself. His singing was in good taste, and no doubt correct. "Long live our noble King."

Mrs. L. Vinton, as Zeresh, though not a "Queen," certainly is a "winning card." Dressed in beautiful and glittering court costume, she brought down the house, and almost took us up out of our chair as she pointed skyward to show her lord how high he should build that terrible gallows; had she actually suspended us half way to the ceiling, our fall would have been fearful at the time she sang and acted. "Thereon let this Hebrew die." It was admirably done, and the large audience persisted in a repetition of the whole scene. Mrs. Vinton has a very sweet and powerful voice.

Mr. Fred. M. Dorrington represented that mighty Prince, Hanan, as far as we could judge, came to life, in voice, looks, gestures and figure. Indeed, he was so intensely Hanan we wonder if he did not really imagine at last he was choked to death, a thing we would not like to have done to one of our best singers and a prince of good fellows. It seems to us that no other person we know could so successfully sing and act Hanan, as did our friend "Fred."

Mr. L. E. Johnson was assigned the role of Mordecai. Prof. J. C. Baker certainly has good discernment as to the peculiar capabilities of his singers; for who but Mr. L. E. Johnson, could so well sustain that most powerful character? His wailing notes; "Wo is me, for the devices of the wicked prosper," was truly solemn, and the passage pleading with the Queen, "Go thou unto the King," seemed to be both persuasive and commanding. Mr. Johnson did great credit to himself. We were glad to see that dusty looking skeleton exchanged for a beautiful robe, on his being elevated to the dignity of the chief Prince of the realm. Just here we will say that we are a little curious to know how much that ring ("Seal of State") weighs?

Mrs. J. S. O'Brien was Prophetess. She has a fine voice, sung sweetly, and acted well her part. Her sombre dress was in keeping with her warning voice to the reckless King and wicked Hanan. She is a welcome accession to the noble band of Plattsmouth singers. Miss Anna Crocker, as Priestess—Not one in the audience failed to appreciate that beautiful character, clad in pure white, emblem of innocence. Who was not moved as she stepped forward, and kneeling, with uplifted hands, sung in a sweet, plaintive voice that prayer? High Priest, Capt. J. W. Marshall, has other good qualities besides being "High." He did sing, and sung well—no new thing for him we admit; but that he could so well fill that sacerdotal robe, and look so ancient under that turban, was a little new to us, we confess. Well done, friend Marshall! Hegu, Harbald and other important parts, were filled by Mr. T. W. Evans, who appeared to be capable of taking any character—including the King—which is within the scope of his clear, ringing, bass voice. The court could not be run without Mr. Evans. Mr. Frank Kershaw was the King's Scribe, and read in a full, clear voice, no doubt he is a friend to Mordecai, as well as a good fellow on "generals principles. Mrs. E. M. Wintersteen, as Queen's First Maid of Honor, and as leader of the Grand Chorus, was beautifully dressed, and filled her part with dignity and good taste. Her solos were sung correctly, and her voice melodious and commanding in chorus.

Miss Cynthia Mitchell was Queen's Second Maid of Honor, and though her part was not arduous, it was creditably sustained.

Miss Frank C. Myers and Zelpha Clayton were Zeresh's First and Second Maids of Honor, both were dressed extremely gorgeously, glittering with sprang,

THE FOURTH AT EIGHT MILE.

Speeches, Dinner, Mnate, etc.

DEAR HERALD.—The "Glorious Fourth" has, as you are doubtless aware, come and gone; bringing with it its usual amount of powder burning, ice cream and lemonade destroying, picnicking, and orating.

The people of Eight Mile Grove and vicinity thought to celebrate the Fourth in the good old fashioned way; and while doing so, to combine with it a S. S. picnic. The Rev. Mr. Presson, of Plattsmouth, was engaged as speaker for the occasion, while the singers of the school and community, assisted by Miss Andrews as organist, were to furnish music for the occasion.

Accordingly, at the appointed hour the people met in the grove, with banners floating in the morning breeze; and, as if by magic, to speak a joyous and loving welcome to all friends, yet to bid defiance to all national foes.

The exercises of the day were opened by prayer by "Father" Young, an aged and beloved member of the community. The Declaration of Independence, that glorious old document which has brought joy to so many hearts, and liberty to so many millions of people, (and alongside of which we thought ought to stand the Emancipation Proclamation), was read by Mr. Hill. After this, the assembled multitude listened to a stirring and appropriate address by Rev. Presson, which did credit to himself and proved conclusively that his people do but justly honor and esteem him.

After this, innumerable baskets seemed to spring forth from innumerable hiding places, and the people proceeded to dispose of their contents in the usual manner. At 2 o'clock they were again called together by the presiding officer, Mr. Russell, and listened to a lengthy address by Mr. Reed, of Omaha Junction, in which the British Lion was badly "chewed up." He was followed by O. P. Austin in a fifteen minutes address, when Mr. Presson was again called forward and made a few remarks; after which, with a vote of thanks to the speakers, the exercises closed.

Credit is due to those having charge of the music, by which the exercises were varied and made much more entertaining.

Praise is also due to the President, Mr. Russell, for the manner in which the exercises were conducted.

The Sabbath School (Methodist) has a fine new library, and with Mrs. Shelton as Superintendent seems in a flourishing condition.

We noticed present Prof. Smith and others of Omaha Junction, also that Plattsmouth, Louisville, and other parts of the country were represented. Altogether, the day passed off pleasantly, doing credit to the Sabbath school and leaving everybody, although tired, yet pleased with the day's operations. The crops in the immediate vicinity were badly damaged by the recent storm. Small grain is badly torn down, and corn is stripped of its leaves and in some places entirely ruined. Nevertheless, the farmers appear cheerful, thus proving that they have the backing which enables them to sustain the loss of one crop without feeling that they are ruined. Yours, &c., JOHN.

THE PICNIC.

On Saturday, had by Mr. Austin's school (1st Ward) proved a perfect success; so far as enjoyment was concerned, at least. Between 10 and 11 o'clock, as per previous announcement, Mr. Austin's school assembled at the 21st school house where they were joined by a number of Mr. Dilley's pupils, and also a few from Prof. A. L. Alderman's and Miss Sherman's schools, respectively. As soon as all were assembled, they proceeded to the grove in the north west part of the city, accompanied by teams, hauling their indispensable accompaniments, of all picnics, swings, barrel and ice water, some of the smaller children, and innumerable baskets, buckets, &c., crammed with those good things which the ladies of Plattsmouth know so well how to prepare.

Arrived at the grounds, a short time sufficed to erect swings, and give the little ones an opportunity to enjoy themselves to their heart's content. Soon began to arrive recruits of a large growth, among whom were Mr. Hobbs and lady, Mrs. Sage, Mr. Dilley, Mrs. Austin, Mrs. Hinton, and Rev. Mr. Bement, and all seemed bent upon enjoying themselves to the fullest extent, while "ye local," who had concluded to "steal a white away" from every neighboring care, sat round with one eye cast about for stray items, and the other unobscuredly fixed upon the table in the manner of Loquax, and almost wished he were a "boy again." The ladies announced a dinner, and the sight was well worth seeing—the happy faces gathered around that bountifully spread board, in all the beauty of youth and innocence. After all had eaten to satiety, the sports were resumed. We saw some feats performed on the cross-bar, by some of the boys, that would have done honor to a trained gymnast. But as, through the watchful care of Mr. Austin, assisted by Mr. Dilley, and the general good conduct of all, there were no accidents for us to chronicle, we will only add in conclusion that those who failed to attend the picnic Saturday, missed a good thing.

As we have previously remarked, in speaking of some former picnics, it is a good indication, in our opinion, of a good teacher, to see them anxious for the pleasure and happiness of their pupils; and Mr. Austin and his estimable lady certainly labored assiduously for that purpose as also did Mr. Dilley who seemed brimming over with mirth and—sweet. In fact, we believe this city is blessed with good teachers, who are laboring zealously for the welfare of the pupils under their charge.

COUNTY FAIR.

The Officers, Directors and Vice Presidents of the Cass county Agricultural and Mechanical Association are requested to meet at the Court House in Plattsmouth, at 1 p. m., Tuesday, July 18th, for the transaction of important business. H. D. HATHAWAY, Secretary.

Mr. J. S. Hunt, who lives 12 miles below this, on the Big Blue, has penitus in full bloom, tobacco 2 feet high and ready topped, cabbages 8 inches and tomatoes 4 inches in diameter, and corn stalks 7 inches in circumference. He set this season 1,000 grape vines, every one of which is living. Mr. H. informs us that Cotton was raised in this county 5 years since from which cloth was made.—Saline County Post. It is now thought that Solomon's great wisdom was due to the fact that he had 700 wives, whom he doubtless consulted on all occasions.

WORDS OF CHEER.

A gentleman who resides in Ohio, and who has been a subscriber to the HERALD for the past five years, writes to say that he will be unwell for a time, and desires the paper discontinued for the present, and adds: "In parting with the HERALD permit me to say that the enterprising spirit so manifest in the people of Plattsmouth, and the development of your noble State, are undoubtedly due especially to the vigorous, frank and many editorials of the HERALD, under your superintendence."

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

COUNCIL MEETING, July 10, 1871. Council met pursuant to call. Present: the Mayor, Aldermen, E. T. Duke, J. W. Shannon, J. H. Battery, John Fitzgerald, John Ehart, Clerk and Marshall.

The Journal of last meeting being read and approved; the Mayor then stated that the object of meeting was for the purpose of taking into consideration the repairing of culverts, bridges, streets, also for any and all other business that may come before the Council.

On motion, the Mayor, M. L. White and John Fitzgerald was added to the Committee on Highways and Bridges. On motion, the Committee on highways and bridges was instructed to repair culverts and bridges that was damaged.

On motion, the Mayor and Clerk was instructed to draw warrants to the amount of \$40.00 on Police fund for the purpose of paying for labor on streets and bridges.

The account of Mr. Waybright for hauling earth \$100, read and allowed; the account of D. W. Lewis & Co. of \$8.64, for lumber, read and on motion, was laid over until the next meeting. After a motion to adjourn was carried, John Fitzgerald gave a bill of \$1,701.50 for damages done by the flooding of the Fitzgerald Block and Brooks House, on which there was no action taken. There being no further business, the Council adjourned until the next regular meeting.

M. L. WHITE, Mayor. Attest: R. H. VANNAITE, City Clerk.

The Congregational society will be held on Friday evening, the 14th, at the residence of the Pastor, Rev. R. Foster, on 5th street, east of the Patterson row. An invitation is extended to all.

One of our well known citizens who is spending a few weeks in the Eastern States in a letter to a friend here, dated Newark, July 3d, writes "Tell Mrs. T. that I was in New York on Friday and it does not begin to compare with Plattsmouth." How is that for high!

John Fitzgerald has brought a bill against the City for \$1,700 damages done by the storm. About fifty other men are awaiting the result of this move to see whether they shall make out bills against the City for similar damages.—We will keep our readers posted in the progress of this matter.

An assault and battery was committed in the southern part of the county a few days since which grew out of the herd law.

See advertisement of property for sale in to-day's paper. There is a chance for a bargain, for some one.

To Mrs. J. D. Simpson, a daughter, July 11th, 1871. There, now Simpson, do you know what the boys mean when they say they "always take lemon in theirs"?

THE PUBLIC INVITED.

The storms of the 1st and 5th damaged the dining room and kitchen arrangements of the Brooks House to such an extent that but few guests have been admitted since, but it is now opened to the public again, and travelers are invited to call and inspect the table and bedroom accommodations. With "Pat" to look after the free "Bo" and the baggage, Holland in the office, and John Fitzgerald to back the concern, the Brooks House is second to nothing in the west.

The Lincoln Statesman endeavors to show, in a half column article, that if ten men run for Governor and only one is elected that the other nine men are defeated. Well, now; the Statesman astonishes us with such a display of wisdom.

A party of 150 excursionists were reported coming to this city this morning, but the excursion finally resolved itself into about 150 ordinary passengers.

There is much loving kindness (?) exhibited by the Democratic press of our State. They naturally desire to throw dirt at some one, and when the Republican papers of the State refuse to notice them they fire away at each other. The following from the Brownville Democrat is a sample of the way they do it:

"The Rule Register sneers itself with a good deal of its own dirt about the Democrat and the Red Kneeling case. It was highly unnecessary. We don't intend to kick it. We know a skunk by sight, and have no desire to prove him by the smell."

Another new locomotive, the "Crete" arrived last evening, and was immediately put on the "ways" to be set up. The De Witt will probably be ready for work to-morrow. The Company are driving things, and will be in receipt of new rolling stock at short intervals until they have enough to meet the demands of the trade they are constantly increasing.

NOTICE.

Is the day appointed by S. Duke, Esq., for the sale of a large quantity of valuable real estate in this city, to be struck off to the man who will pay the most money. Now is the time to buy. Times are a little dull, and money is somewhat scarce, and the man who has the wherewithal to buy a few lots at low prices is the one who will make a speculation that will count.

EGYPT AND PALESTINE.

We had intended nothing to some length the lecture of Dr. Bement, of last evening, upon the subject of his travels through the above named countries, but as the lecture has been fully spoken of by two different correspondents to-day, both of them prominent and influential citizens, it is probably unnecessary for us to say more than that every person old enough to understand history should be on hand to-night. Dr. Bement is an unassuming man, but he is evidently a man of deep research and a profound thinker. We have heard very many lectures upon travels in the eastern world but Dr. Bement presents the subject in an entirely different manner from most lecturers. We can see new beauties in the descriptions given by him, even of the same scenes and the same countries. His lectures are free to all who do not feel inclined to pay, as he depends entirely upon the liberality of his audience. The audience last evening was small, but we will guarantee that every intelligent person who was there last evening will be there again to night unless there is something more than the ordinary affairs of life to keep them away. We look for a full house to night.

RAILROAD TOWARD.

The Seward Atlas is confident that they are soon to be connected with Plattsmouth and other portions of the world by rail. Long live Seward! The Atlas says: "Last week, a party of surveyors of the Burlington and Missouri River R. R., started from Lincoln to survey a route through to this point, and we are informed by good authority, that the work will be commenced on this line in a very short time."

We learn from a private letter from the Nemaha that during the recent heavy storm which passed over that section, lightning struck the rods upon two different buildings and passed off without doing any damage either to the house or rods. A. G. Barnes, of our city, put up one of these rods last fall, and the other this season. The one erected last fall has been struck three different times, and in every instance has proved a perfect protection to the building. They are, without doubt, the best rod now sold. July 12th & 13th.

HEARD FROM.

We are in receipt of the La Porte (Ind.) Herald, edited by Sims Major, Esq., one of the editorial excursion parties which recently visited Nebraska. The paper shows conclusively the pleasure experienced by the editor during his short sojourn west of the Missouri. He speaks of Plattsmouth, Lincoln and Nebraska City as "The Three Cities of Nebraska." We clip the following relative to our own city:

Plattsmouth is situated at the confluence of the Big Platte and Missouri. The site is broken and bluff; the town being in the dips and hollows does not show to advantage, but when you come to get a better view of it, you see many good business bricks, and not a few elegant dwellings. The place was laid out, we believe, in 1856—the population is about 3,000. It is fed by a most fertile country, and enjoys a heavy grain trade. The Burlington & Missouri River Road crosses the great stream at this point, over which a bridge is to be erected in a short time. Plattsmouth is the capital of Cass county. We stopped here but an hour or two—but long enough to see the enterprise, and enjoy a hearty greeting from its thorough-going, friendly people.

At Plattsmouth, the Laporians of the excursion were kindly received by Mr. Frank Carruth, who courteously showed us about town, and took us to one of the hotels overlooking the city and surroundings. He pointed out to us his lot, perched on a lofty eminence, whereon he expects to build soon. Mr. C. has a fine photograph gallery in Plattsmouth, is doing a vigorous and increasing business, likes the place and people, and means to stay.

Nebraska State Fair will be held at Brownville, Sept. 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th, 1871. Liberal Premiums offered. Open to the World. For particulars address the President at Brownville or the Secretary at Plattsmouth. All papers in the State friendly to the Society, will please copy. d&wtf

Read the card of Dr. Marvin. Persons afflicted with Chronic diseases of any kind will do well to consult the Dr. PLATTSMOUTH BACON MARKET.

Canned Dried Beef, 22 cts. Smoked Clear Sides, Prime, 10 Sugar Cured Hams, 17 "Lard, Prime, 12 1/2 All Goods delivered free to any part of the city. apr7dwtf E. G. DOVEY.

FOR RENT.—The basement under the HERALD office. Inquire at this office, or of C. H. Parmele. je21dwtf

General Amos Cobb, formerly of Wisconsin, but now of Lincoln, passed through the city this morning on his way to the capital.

Frank Carruth, Esq., the popular artist, corner Main and Fifth streets, is erecting a neat residence on Sixth street, south side of Granite.

In Nevada an immense deposit of almost pure soda, free from earthy matters, has been discovered, in the midst of an alkaline flat seventeen acres in extent. Upon digging down, the solid soda is found in a dense mass. A shaft has been sunk in a defined form, from the bottom of which a drift has been made without getting through it.

The total amount of currency lost or worn out while in circulation will exceed 15 per cent. of the whole issue.

GERMAN SABBAH SCHOOL.

We learn with pleasure that the Turners are taking an active part at the German Sabbath School, in instructing the young. Last Sunday six out of the eight teachers were Turners. This shows plainly that that Society not only seeks to improve their worldly strength, but also the spiritual welfare of themselves and fellow creatures. All connected with the above school are striving to get up a good German library. We wish them success.

THE REV. DR. BEMENT'S LECTURE.

Last evening, in the Methodist Church, was replete with interesting and valuable facts, both old and new, or insufficiently known, respecting matters and things that have transpired in what are sometimes termed the lands of the Bible.—The Dr. does not take up the time of the audience with an egotistical display of his personal experience during his three years' travel and study in the east, but he gives his hearers well authenticated facts of history and science, illustrated by the results of his observations and investigations on the very spots where these wonderful scenes and incidents occurred. His lectures are also illustrated by pictures of remarkable scenes and things worthy of historical notice. But the lucid manner and matter of the lecturer render the subject quite as graphic as his painted and penciled sketches.

The lecture last evening explained why he went to explore the lands of the Bible, and why he commenced at Alexandria in Egypt, that he might in that land of the ancient Pharaohs, so intimately connected with the history of the Israelites, find the key to numerous symbolical and categorical passages of Scripture which were inconprehensible without a knowledge of their types and antitypes. This knowledge the lecturer has acquired in rich abundance, and he is certainly doing God's service in going about disseminating facts and explaining figures which facts and figures were made clear and illuminated by the lecturer's beautiful simplicity of illustration, like "apples of gold in pictures of silver." I have never time nor space to even do justice to an epitome of the lecture of last evening, but I think that the fact of his failing to hear him will miss a feast of reason and flow of soul." R. FOSTER.

REV. BEMENT'S LECTURE.

The lecture last evening of Rev. Mr. Bement, on Egypt, was one of great interest. The lecturer told history in an easy, familiar way, imparting a grand deal of very interesting, and to the Bible reader, of very important information. It is evident that he has traveled and observed for himself. It is rare that the scenes and incidents, the historic facts, the traditions, the manners and customs, the monuments of the strange and wonderful Eastern land, are so vividly put before our thought. He gave illustrations last night of ancient art, that the moderns, with all their wonders of the telegraph and steam engine, may envy. What modern engineer would undertake to transport a stone column 90 feet long, 15 feet at the base, 8 feet at the top, weighing 700 tons, six hundred miles, and then set it up on its base so that it should stand 3,000 years.

To-night the lecturer gives an account of the Pyramids, the Sphinx, the obelisks, and other objects that are the wonder of all thinking men. The world will never cease asking who built the Pyramids, how were they constructed, and for what? The lecturer says truly that Egypt is the key to Palestine. The Bible student will be greatly helped by listening to these lectures. They are worthy the interested attention of our people.

Local Notice.

CATTLE FOR SALE.

The undersigned having had his cows destroyed by the late storm, wishes to dispose of a lot of stock, viz: 11 head of 3 year old steers; 8 head of 2 year old steers; 14 head of milk cows; also 1 span of 6 year old mares, with 2 colts. Enquire at my farm 5 1/2 miles west of Plattsmouth. M. W. PROFFER, July 11th &