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—Wescott sells the best buckskin gloves. 39tf

—The sleighing is ausgespielt.

—Everybody swore off Saturday.

—Will. S. Wise sells Real Estate. tf

—Fire meeting next Tuesday night.

—George Vallery spent Christmas at home.

—The Commissioners are in session this week.

—Men's Arctics 1.50 at the Great Red Store. 41tf

—Read the correspondence on the outside this week.

—Organs cleaned and repaired by James Peitee. tf

—See Kalisky & Son's new ad on the first page this week.

—Square dealing guaranteed at the Great Red Store 41tf

—A large reduction on old winter goods at F. Herrmann's. 42t4

—The University Cadets returned to Lincoln Monday night.

—Special bargains at the Great Red Store for 30 days. 41tf

—Gen. Geo. S. Smith came in from Lincoln Wednesday.

—The biggest line of buckskin gloves at Wescott's. 29tf

—Read notice of Dr. Black's Rheumatic cure in another column.

—Manufacturing and Repairing at Merges' Shoe Store. 22tf

—Capt. O'Rourke is out again after quite a siege with his eye.

—Come and see the inducements we are offering, Great Red Store. 41tf

Our Correspondents *must* write on one side of their paper *only*.

—See how cheap they sell furniture at the Great Red Store. 41tf

—A large line of cloaks to be sold at cost price by F. Herrmann. 42t4

—All the prominent politicians are wending their way Lincoln-ward this week.

—Go to Bons & Son's and get your groceries, where you will get your money's worth. 1

—Christmas and New Years have come and gone, leaving many the happier for their coming.

—Clothing almost given away at the Great Red Store, save money by seeing us first. 41tf

—Milton Polk was in town Wednesday. He don't look much like a married man yet.

—There is to be a dance the 15th, we understand, gotten up by some of the Red Ribbon folks.

—Twenty yards best print for $1.00 at the Great Red Store. 41tf

—A fine buggy passed through Plattsmouth last week for Mr. F. M. Wolcott of Weeping Water.

—For 30 days they offer goods at strictly New York prices at the Great Red Store. Call and secure bargains.tf

—Billy Stadelmann was in the city the first of the week; he returned to Lincoln Wednesday morning.

—Money to loan on Country Real Estate by W. S. Wise. tf

—I. N. Hicks has moved down town again, he will occupy the building just left vacant by F. D. Lehnhoff.

—They mean business at the Great Red Store. Goods positively lower than any house in town. See for yourself. 41tf

—A large crowd gathered at the hall New Years night to call on the ladies and have a good time.

—Harry Howland came in Monday and paid for the HERALD and Scientific American for another year.

—Nubias, hoods, children's and ladies' wool sacques to be sold regardless of cost at Fred Herrmann's 42t4

—The contractors will soon be at work on the bell tower, it will be erected next to the engine house.

—A Gospel Temperance meeting will be held at the Methodist Church Sunday afternoon, to which all are invited

—In justice to yourself and family you should save money. Therefore price at the Great Red Store before buying elsewhere. 41tf

—Next time you go out sleighing Mr. S. you must not load so heavy and the hind bob wont "bust down.

—Seven persons were received into the Baptist church last Sunday and several more will come in next Sunday.

—Jno. Bons & Son are still selling good groceries at a bargain, and all will do well to give them a call before purchasing elsewhere. 1

—Our P. O. key has finally put in an appearance, some one kindly leaving it in the Post Office, who will please accept thanks.

—W. L. Browne went down to Louisville, Wednesday, as an attorney on the case of Pankonin and Metzger, brought up under the herd law.

—Mr. F. M. Goolsby's little boy came in Wednesday and said his father wanted the HERALD. And so they come; everybody wants the HERALD.

—Miss Hattie Fulmer is teaching the 1st ward School this week for Mrs. French, who has not returned from Chicago where she went to spend the Holidays.

—William Shryock and Joe Robinson went up to Omaha Monday and came back Tuesday. They met Willie Gyger, Charlie Huebner and several other old Plattsmouth boys while there.

Personal

Col. George Woodford was in town Wednesday night.

Mrs. French has been spending the holidays with friends in Chicago.

Master George M. Spurlock went down to Lincoln the first of the week.

Miss Dottie Cook was in town during the Holidays, visiting her many friends.

Mrs. C. E. Wescott has been quite sick for several days, but is improving slowly now.

Mr. Vanderpool, of Lincoln, called on Tuesday, only to find ye editor absent, which we regret.

Mr. and Mrs. Klepser, parents of Mrs. Simpson and Mrs. Johns n spent the holidays with their children.

Mr. W. B. Arnold of Greenwood, called Wednesday and left the wherewith for the HERALD and I. O. another year.

Miss Nellie Wright and Miss Addie Buttery returned from Burlington, Friday, where they have been spending the Holidays.

A. S. Campbell, formerly with C. H. Pinkham, South Bend, goes to Hastings this week where he will run an exclusive Grocery Store.

Mr. Hahn, who has been for the past year with the firm of L. Kalisky & Son, left that position and Plattsmouth last Saturday, for St. Louis, taking in Omaha and Chicago on the way, and a general slice of holiday good times.

Prof. F. Stadter leaves us to-day for the East. Prof. S. has prolonged his stay considerably beyond his first intentions, to enjoy the holidays with old friends and now leaves with pleasant recollections of holiday times, carrying the good wishes of friends with him.

Mr. E. M. Yates, of Omaha, called last week and ordered inserted the notice of incorporation of the Cass Co. Bank which he informs us will be in running order very soon now. Mr. Yates was looking also for a boarding place, being desirous of becoming a resident of Plattsmouth as soon as possible, with his family.

Mr. Byron Clark, one of our young attorneys who was recently admitted to the bar, starts forth to-day to carve out his fortune in the field he has chosen. He has settled upon Papillion, the Co. seat of Sarpy Co., as the scene of his labors, and will take up his residence there immediately. Byron has been a diligent student, passed his examination with credit and honor, and has made a fair start on the road to success. Steady application to business and a determination to succeed will now be the most efficient aids to carry him forward on this road, and with them we trust he may reach the goal of honorable position, and worldly prosperity and happiness. We commend him to the good graces of our neighboring townspeople.

—Suicide is not more sinful than neglecting a cough. For only 25 cents you can buy a bottle of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and be saved from death.

—Snow! Snow!! Again.

—Read the Lincoln Correspondence.

—The Bell tower will soon be completed.

—They are getting splendid ice out of the river now.

—Full stock of Boots $2.25 at the Great Red Store. 41tf

—It's hard work to get locals this week, everything is quiet.

—Be sure and go up and see Scully and La Fountain walk. It's immense.

—We understand there is to be another Temperance paper started here.

—Nearly all the young folks in town were sliding down the High School hill Saturday and they seemed to enjoy themselves hugely.

—D. H. Wheeler has moved his office into Col. Parmelee's building, next to Henry Beck's Furniture store; the new bank will take his old room.

—We understand that Charlie Parmele has gone up to the University to school. Plattsmouth has a pretty good representation at the University.

—LOST—By the undersigned, between Main Street and his residence, a note book with name on cover. The finder will please leave the same at F. S. White's store. CHAS. NICKLES.

—At the Amateur Press association convention held at Lincoln, Jan. 3d, D. H. Wheeler, Jr. was elected president, and Frank Wheeler was elected secretary and treasurer. Good for the boys.

—Quarterly meeting at the M. E. Church Jan. 9th. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sacrament immediately after morning sermon. Quarterly Conference Monday, Jan 10th at 9:30 a. m.

—The Red Ribbon Club met Tuesday evening at the Presbyterian Church. The regular business was attended to and short speeches were made by Rev's. Beard and Storms and others. A fair audience was in attendance.

—Several coupler met at the residence of Mr. Llewellyn Moore, Wednesday night, by invitation. The evening was spent very pleasantly, until near the small hours, when the company separated, thanking Mr. Moore for affording them so pleasant an evening.

—Mr. Moore, our town florist, had so many orders for flowers that he was unable to supply the demand during the holidays. This is an encouraging sign both of a refinement of taste in our townspeople and of their appreciation of Mr. Moore's skill in arranging flowers which is scarcely excelled anywhere.

—The Enterprise said farewell to this mundane sphere the last day of the old year, and quietly lay down and died. Its life has been longer than we expected when it first appeared. We lay its remains carefully away in our newspaper mausoleum, and add another epitaph, "Dead, leaving behind the experience that to start a newspaper doesn't always mean to keep one going and that having a good many (seeming) friends and swimming with the tide doesn't always win in the long run."

A new weekly is soon to take its place, we understand.

—Just as we go to press we are handed a copy of the New Castle Courier, announcing the marriage of Mr. Milton Polk, of Louisville, Neb., to Miss Kittie Alsbaugh of New Castle, Ind., which took place on the 28th ult. at the residence of the bride's parents.

This was quite a surprise, Milton, but we wish you joy, all the same.

—Hurrah, we take it all back! That Christmas present of Geo. Smith's did come, only a little late, and proved to be a blooming little daughter. Old Santa Claus probably had her wrapped up so carefully to keep her from freezing he didn't discover her until he had started for the hyperborean regions, but George is so happy over it, he forgives old Santa and all the rest of mankind—including us.

—A new change in the time table of the B. & M. took effect Sunday, Jan. 2. The morning train which formerly left Plattsmouth for Omaha at 7 a. m. is discontinued. A train leaves here at 9:20 and connects with the train coming east at the Junction at 9:50 reaching Omaha at 10:30. The passenger train formerly arriving here from the west at 8:00 a. m. now arrives here at 10·05.

J. N. Wise, Secretary of Cass County Agricultural Society has prepared warrants for premiums drawn at the last county fair in favor of the following parties and they can receive the warrants and payment for same on application at Major D. H. Wheeler's new office east side of Main St. west of Boeck's furniture store:

Mrs. Henry Bester,	Fred Gorder,
Pearl Holmes,	C. M. Holmes,
Joe McMacken,	Sage Bros.
W. A. Tiffany,	Mrs. T. J. Ford,
A. B. Todd,	Floribel Wise,

Mrs. P. L. Wise.

Hansen & Chassot

Wish to inform their friends and the public in general that they have opened a

GROCERY, PROVISION, CROCKERY, GLASS & QUEENSWARE BUSINESS,

until further notice in Fred Herrmann's old stand. We invite all to give us a trial.

42tf HANSEN & CHASSOT.

The Cass Co. Bank.

Notice of incorporation of a new bank called the Cass Co. Bank is given elsewhere. Mr. E. M. Yates, who will be its cashier, informs us that the bank will probably not be open and in running order before the first of February. The place of business will be Mr. D. H. Wheeler's office.

Pedestrianism.

A pedestrian match was commenced last evening at Fitzgerald's Hall between Mike Scully, of Omaha, and La Fontaine, of Canada. The match is for 72 hours, go-as-you-please, and the winner gets $200 and the door money. We saw the saw dust going up to-day, it took seven loads, the track being what they call a padded track, and it takes 25 1-7 laps to make a mile.

Dr. Black's

Rheumatic cure is the boss remedy, cures Rheumatism and Neuralgia in all their various forms. For sale by Smith, Black & Co. 42tf

—Any lady wishing to know of the merits of the Excelsior Kidney Pad, its action etc., are referred to Mrs. Wm. E. McKecknie, Photograph Parlors, Toledo, Ohio.—See Adv.

Fine Stock.

The improved small eared Poland China pigs are bred and raised by J. C. Newberry at Louisville, Neb. The Poland China hog is considered by our best stock men to be the best porker raised. 42.4eow

—The action of Carter's Little Liver Pills is pleasant, mild and natural. They gently stimulate the liver, and regulate the bowels, but do not purge. They are sure to please. For sale by Smith, Black & Co.

Baby Saved.

We are so thankful to say that our baby was permanently cured of a dangerous and protracted irregularity of the bowels by the use of Hop Bitters by its mother, which at the same time restored her to perfect health and strength.—The Parents, Rochester N. Y. See another column.

—Try Carter's Little Nerve Pills for any case of nervousness, sleeplessness, weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, &c., relief is sure. The only nerve medicine for the price in market. In vials at 25 cents. For sale by Smith Black & Co.

Notice.

Those who have not settled for their last year's ice are requested to do so at once and save cost as it must be settled *at once*.

4113 F. S. WHITE.

Save Your Money.

A large stock of Boots and Shoes just arrived at Merges, which will be sold cheap. 22tf

Dissolution Notice.

The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Guthmann & Weckbach has this day been dissolved by mutual consent, F. R. Guthmann retiring. Parties owing the firm will please settle within thirty days at the old stand. Parties having claims against the said firm will present the same within thirty days from date.

F. R. GUTHMANN,
J. V. WECKBACH.

Plattsmouth, Neb., January 1, 1881.

Thanking my friends for their liberal patronage in the past, I respectfully request a continuance of the same in the future for my successor, J. V. Weckbach, at the old stand.

4213 F. R. GUTHMANN.

Pedestrianism.

Prof. Sculley and Prof. LaFountain, the famous pedestrians of the West, commenced their wearisome 72 hours' walk at Fitzgerald Hall, at 8:30 p. m., yesterday. At 8 o'clock this (Thursday) morning the score stood: Sculley 37 miles and 5 laps; LaFountain 40 miles and 10 laps. First mile made by LaFountain in seven minutes, and 22 miles in 2 hours and 48 minutes. Sculley falling behind, in that distance, 3 miles and 11 laps. The Frenchman is the favorite at present, yet experienced sportsmen hold to Sculley. The walk will close Saturday night at 10 o'clock.

The beautiful silver cup to be competed for by amateur walkists this evening, at $1 entrance fee, is now on exhibition at P. B. Murphy's Temperance Billiard Hall.

Score at 12, noon, to-day—Sculley 53 miles, LrFountain 58 miles. Both men are in splendid order, and the track is in fine shape. The interest in the contest is steadily increasing. Gents are invited to bring their ladies, as the structure is far as kept in the left.

State Historical Society.

The annual meeting of the State Historical Society will be held in the University Chapel, in Lincoln, June 11, 1881, at 3 p. m. The annual election of officers will be held at that time.

In the evening, Dr. A. L. Childs, of Plattsmouth, will deliver an historical address.

R. W. FURNAS, President.
SAM'L AUGHEY, Secretary.

Notice.

As I shall turn my grocery stock over to Hanson & Chassot, January 1st, who will occupy Jerry Hartman's new building two doors east of the Court House, I shall run a strictly cash dry goods store at my old stand. All parties indebted to me are requested to settle their accounts by Feb. 1st, 1881, bills not settled then will be given in to the hands of a collector, regardless of person. 41t3 FRED HERRMANN.

Not a Beverage.

They are not a beverage, but a medicine, with curative properties of the highest degree, containing no poor whisky or poisonous drugs. They do not tear down an already debilitated system, but build it up. One bottle contains more hops, that is, more real hop strength, than a barrel of ordinary beer. Every druggist in Rochester sells them, and the physicians prescribe them.—Evening Express on Hop Bitters.

—Women with pale colorless faces who feel weak and discouraged, will receive both mental and bodily vigor by using Carter's Iron Pills, which are made for the blood, nerves and complexion. For sale by Smith, Black & Co.

—Those persons who do not need Iron, but who are troubled with nervousness and Dyspepsia, will find in Carter's Little Nerve Pills a most desirable article. They are mostly used in combination with Carter's Little Liver Pills, and in this way often exert a most magical effect. Take just one pill of each kind immediately after eating and you will be free from Indigestion and Dyspepsia. In vials at 25 cents. For sale by Smith, Black & Co.

List of Letters

Remaining in the Post Office at Plattsmouth, Cass Co. Neb., January 6, 1881.

Allan J. T.	Hughes Abram,
Brinkman Frank	Jenkins J. W.
Bradshaw Albert	Igoe George
Brockway Gyrus	Kinney J. J.
Brown Gay	Miller Mr. Plast'r
Barker Lewis	Meyer J. W.
Campbell Jas. N.	O'Rourk John
Clifford Van	Schwof W. M.
Chandler Oscar F.	Stenn Miss E.
Eklon Gust.	Stephenson J.
	Weber Alex.

Persons calling for the above will please say advertised.

J. W. MARSHALL, P. M.

Died.

ALLEN—December 30th, 1880, DORA, youngest child of James H. and Frances Allen, of Greenwood, Nebraska. Aged one year and twenty-seven days.

"As the sweet flower that scents the morn,
But withers in the rising day—
Thus lovely seemed the infant's dawn:
Thus swiftly fled her life away.

Ere sin could blight or sorrow fade,
Death timely came with friendly care;
The open bud to heaven conveyed,
And bade it bloom forever there.

She died to sin and all its woes,
But for a moment felt the rod—
On love's triumphant wing she rose.
To rest forever with her God!" E. J.

RAMSEY.—Of Paralysis, Dec 23d, 1880, at the old patrimonial homestead, near Frankfort Springs, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, MRS. MARY RAMSEY, aged 67 years, 2 months and 16 days.

The deceased was born Oct. 13th, 1813, and had passed her 67th year. She was a grand child of Samuel Von Swearingen, one of the pioneer settlers of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, who, braving the perils and dangers of the Indian scalping knife and tomahawk, more than a century ago, commenced the first settlement of Beaver County. The deceased was married July 1st, 1834, to William Ramsey, and wives she survived a little more than ten yrs. She was the mother of eight children, seven of whom survive her. Of the children three reside in Pennsylvania, one in Virginia, and three—John, B. S., and Mrs. Bella R. Waterman—reside in Cass County, Nebraska. She early became connected with the Presbyterian Church and during a long life was ever a devoted Christian mother and friend. She was ever ready to console the afflicted and many a poor dying mortal was gently soothed by her as the spirit was passing into that mysterious bourne. A Christian hope and implicit faith in her Redeemer comforted and consoled her in her last moments. For a number of years she had been gradually descending life's rugged pathway, and, as if to typify the shadows of age as they had silently crept over her, the spirit took its flight just as the fading sunbeams were kissing the evening shadows across the eastern border. Around her dying bed tearful, fond, devoted love sadly watched the loved Christian mother and friend gently pass into that dreamless slumber. As if in recognition and remembrance of her many Christian efforts to soothe the dying in the hour of dissolution, the angel of Death gently touched her fluttering spirit, and painlessly it seemed to pass into eternity's repose. Gently as nature's breathings in the dim and fading twilight of the evening, the feeble, fluttering spirit noiselessly passed from the aged and paised body into the great, mysterious Beyond. Life's immovable boundary had been reached, and Death's messenger gently carried the spirit over into that mysterious land of dreamless sleep. And while the old patrimonial fields, hills and dales were clad in snowy white—as if to symbolize her winding sheet—we solemnly and with heaving breast and throbbing heart, laid the loved, cold form away to sleep beside the ashes of father and brother.

Farewell, mother! A last, long farewell to that loved face; your work was well and faithfully done; the Christian's triumph was yours. Gladly would we have kept you with us yet a few years; yet with all our hopeful, prayerful efforts to keep you here, the grave triumphed. Since you have gone, cheers for your spirit in its onward and upward flight! Your memory will ever remain the priceless heritage of child, friend, neighbor, and the sweet, fertile oasis in this dismal, earthly desert.

CHILD.

To all Our Friends.

Having had numberless inquiries for advertising cards in all parts of the country from ladies who are interested in the fashion of making "Card Collections," we are having printed for them a set of seven beautiful cards, each in six colors and on gold background, in the very highest degree of art, illustrating Shakespeare's "Seven Ages of Man." We have spared no expense in these cards—they are simply little art-gems. Our only aim has been to publish the finest cards yet shown. Applications for them have come in so rapidly that nearly the whole edition is engaged before the receipt by us of the cards from the artist. We have therefore been obliged to adopt the following plan for the distribution of the remainder: No more of the gilt Shakespeare cards, seven in the series, will be sent except upon the receipt of a statement from a grocer that the person applying for the cards has bought of him on that day at least seven bars of Dobbins' Electric Soap, with price paid for same. All applying in this manner will receive the full set of seven cards gratis by mail. This will insure us that our friends and patrons get their share of these beautiful designs, although it in no manner repays us for the cost of the cards. Your grocer has the soap or will get it, and the purchase by you of seven bars of it at one time will secure for you gratis seven beautiful cards. The soap improves with age and is an article of necessity in your house every week. Therefore you are not asked to buy a useless article, but one that you must have anyway. Please send us your application at once, and tell your lady friends making "Card Collections" to do the same.

Yours respectfully,

J. L. CRAGIN & CO.
116 South 4th St., Philadelphia.

—See the
$2.25 OVERCOATS
—at—
THE GREAT RED STORE.
Beats anything you ever saw for $5. 41tf

BOOTS AND SHOES,
SHOES AND BOOTS,
MANY AND CHEAP
22tf AT MERGES'.

A Lady's Wish.

"Oh, how I wish my skin was as clear yours," said a lady to her friend. "You can easily make it so," said the friend. "How," inquired the first lady. "By using Hop Bitters, that makes pure, rich blood and blooming health. It did it for me, as you observe." Read advt.

CORRESPONDENCE.

From Luella.

At a regular meeting of the Farmers' Anti-Monopoly Club of Elmwood, the following officers were elected for the first quarter of 1881:

Daniel McCaig, President; E. A. Kirkpatrick, Vice President; T. P. McCarty, Secretary.

Daniel McCaig, P. Eidman and T. P. McCarty were elected delegates to attend the State Convention of Farmers at Lincoln the 5th inst.

Next meeting at Dimmit's School House 15th inst. ADIRONDACK.

Eight Mile Grove Notes.

The snow and cold weather have arrested corn husking, very few farmers are doing gathering, some hardly commenced; the crop is a fair one in this vicinity.

A number of farmers intended to go to Weeping Water to attend the Farmers' Convention, but the cold weather interfered; thanks to the gentlemen that have enterprise enough to start at last a Farmers' Alliance.

The Good Templars or Temperance folks had a petition around to get all the children's signatures they could, for the purpose of having the Legislature to grant them their little whims; in my opinion one good Distillery at Plattsmouth would be more beneficial to the Farmers of Cass County than all the Good Templars in the State of Nebraska.

MORE ANON.

We give our correspondents the privelege of expressing their views even though antagonistic to our own

Three Groves' Notes.

Christmas and New Years came and went quietly as usual, but the weather has been so cold and disagreeable there was not much going on; a turkey dinner here and there was about all the amusement. Some few went to Rock Bluffs to the Christmas tree and had a very good time generally.

Mr. John Dolton and two daughters from Council Bluffs, Iowa came on Friday a week ago and spent Christmas in our neighborhood. They returned home last week.

Levi Kirkpatrick from Mt. Pleasant came over on New Year's day and stayed until Sunday.

John Harbett from near Centre Valley made a visit a few days ago, also Miss Hattie and Mr. Ellington of Rock Bluffs called around on Sunday after Christmas.

Miss Harcleroad who has been stopping at Mr. Oldham's has been quite ill sor two or three weeks. We learn that she is improving now.

Rev. Mitchell, southern Methodist, preached at our school house on Sunday last. He preaches there again one month from Sunday.

Mr. G. W. Worley gave a party for the little folks Monday night.

The Rock Creek hunting club gave an oyster supper at M. Patterson's on Wednesday night of last week. Also another one at J. B. Holmes's on Wednesday night next.

Mr. Editor, we think you had better put a new head on the correspondence column too and get all the correspondents to write again for the HERALD looks rather naked without the letters that have been published for a good while from different points.

The HERALD Almanac is quite a present for the HERALD readers and contains a good deal of information; it should be in the hands of every reader. REPORTER.

Reckon our correspondent will be satisfied with the letters this week, seven or eight in all. We are glad to see our corressondents back again.

Afton Notes.

Dec. 27th, 1880. DEAR OLD HERALD:—We,—that is, my wife and self, arrived safely at Afton on the evening of the 19th. Our children met us at the R. R. station, with our own conveyance, so of course they were not sick with diphtheria as we feared they might be. One of our neighbors lost three children; no cases now, that I know of. We are having a most unusually severe spell of weather, for this locality, snow to the depth of one and a half to two and a half inches has lain on the ground for nearly two weeks, making bad work with cattle; colts and horses, however, mind it but little.

It seems rather cheerless, after our visit in Iowa and your county, where crops were good and abundant, to come back to the frontier settlement, and find people who do not even know where the seed for next year's crop is to come from; yet there are many such. Our one great advantage over eastern localities is sufficient however, to hold our settlers and add to them, I allude, of course, to stock raising, and to those who wish to secure favorable locations for this business, I would say, lose no time needlessly in securing them, as the peculiar adaptatiod of our country, with its free range law, low taxes, fifteen mills per dollar, abundant water, and natural stock shelters, for this business, is now well known, and we expect a very considerable outlay of eastern capital during 1881.

I have raised three crops out of six, hoppers and drouth took the other three; next year we confidently expect a good crop, and will try to hold a portion of it over, for fear of possible failure in '82.

We had preaching in Afton, yesterday, have appointments for every three weeks and hope for still better arrangements, so the good people who read this may know that we are trying to remain at least half civilized. Our literary has not been heard from this winter; too many gone on claim stays and on visits. We predict that the day is not far distant when Afton will be a place of some note.

Respectfully,
E. S. CHILD.

Some of the most eminent scientific men now accept the view taken by Adhemar, namely, that continents have not been depressed, but overflowed by the ocean. Owing to the precession of the equinoxes, the mass of water is transferred from one hemisphere to the other once in 10,500 years, and the sun remains eight days longer in one hemisphere than in the other. At the present time the winters of the Southern hemisphere are eight days longer than with us; the ice continent has consequently formed there, and the mass of the ocean is to be found in the Southern hemisphere, and the ice covers a space upon and around the South pole more than twice the area of all Europe. The extreme of cold at the Antarctic pole was reached about 600 years ago, since which time the climate has been becoming milder, while that north of the equator has been growing colder

Mr. Lincoln used to tell a story about a big Hoosier who came to Washington, during the war, and called upon a street Arab for a shine. Looking at the tremendous boots before him, he called out to a brother shiner across the street: "Come over and help, Jimmy, I've got an army contract."

Stories of the Dumas.

It was during the successful period of the drama of Henry III., one day, that Mlle. Mars was receiving friends and admirers, Dumas, the elder, presented her with a beautiful satin-bound copy of the drama, and an old doctor who was present, exclaimed rather simply: "So you are a tragedy-maker, young man?" "Yes," replied Dumas, "just like you; the only difference is that you have yours bound in deal."

Dumas was a great friend of Vatout's who was so devoted to Louis Philippe's family that he followed them into exile. On hearing of his death, "Poor fellow," said Dumas, "and how did that happen?" "At dinner; the water they had to drink was very bad; the princes were all sick, but Vatout died." "The courtier!" said Dumas with a smile.

Being present one evening with George Sand at the first performance of an execrable piece, he was conversing loudly with her, when a *bourgeois*, seated in front of them, turned round and sharply requested them to be quiet. "What," exclaimed Dumas, "you have the good luck to hear George Sand and Alexander Dumas conversing together, and you are not satisfied?"

Dumas was a very powerful man and rather proud of his physical strength. His father, Gen. Dumas, Marquis de la Paillerie, notified his birth to Gen. Brune in the following terms: "My wife has just presented me with a boy, eighteen inches long and weighing ten pounds and a half. If he keeps on like that at 25 he will be no pigmy." The father was also a man of great strength whose feats were renowned in the records of the French army. An engraving of the time, now in the hands of Dumas, Jr., represents him alone on the Brian bridge holding in check a body of Austrians, killing three, wounding eight, and causing the others to retreat. The marquis was a mulatto; being one evening at the theatre in a box with a lady, a young coxcomb entered, and offered to see her home after the play. "Thanks," said the lady, pointing to the general, "I am with this gentleman." "Indeed," exclaimed the young man, sneering, "I took him for your servant." He had no sooner uttered this piece of impertinence than the general took hold of him by the collar, and lifting him like a feather, threw him on the stage.

His grandson, the present academician, is a chip of the old block, of extraordinary physical strength, and most adroit in all athletic exercises, which, as every one knows, does not prevent him from being as witty as his father. Somebody speaking of Alexander Dumas to his son was saying one day: "After all, your father has sometimes written inferior works, but he never wrote tiresome ones." "It was through selfishness," replied the son, "they would have bored him first."

Dumas, the elder, had a weakness for placing himself and his friends at the service of every new acquaintance he made.

Once upon a time he sent to a friend an ornament of the swell mob, as it afterwards appeared, with one of the most gushing of letters of introduction. "Throw wide open to him the doors of your house and your heart; treat him as you would me," and so on.

Shortly afterwards Dumas encountered his friend, who was decidedly frigid, and on his demanding an explanation of this coolness his friend said, "Don't you remember sending me a gentleman with a very enthusiastic letter of introduction?"

"Yes, yes; fine fellow—real heart of gold—full of wit—charming companion."

"Yes, I dare say; but he stole my watch from off the mantlepiece."

"What? *Your* watch, *Dad*?"

How to Behave at Table.

When in your seat, your first duty is to inspect the cutlery. If the silver bear Roger's stamp, for instance, guard the praises of the Meriden manufacture.

This will cause others to examine their knives. They will marvel at your practical knowledge.

And you will live long in the memory of your hostess.

When soup is served, opportunity will present itself to show your superior attainments in gastronomy.

Confidentially inform your *vis-a-vis*, in voice sufficiently loud to be heard all around the table, that Boullieloi is the only person you ever knew who would make soup fit to eat.

Every eye will be turned toward you in adoration.

Your hostess will feel a sort of reflected goodness in having one so gifted condescend to grace her humble board.

Then blow into your soup as though you were under contract to furnish motive power for a windmill.

Thus you will show your haughty contempt for conventionalities.

For a similar reason, you will eat from the point of your spoon.

This movement will make you look like the sword swallower.

Your appearance will be picturesque.

Your elbow will threaten your right-hand neighbor's eye.

In eating fish, whip as big a piece as you can into your mouth, and then pick out the bones one by one at your leisure.

You will resemble the sleight-of-hand performer pulling ribbons from his mouth.

Always eat with your knife, and close your lips tightly about it when you withdraw it from your mouth.

This will keep your knife clean during the whole meal.

Cleanliness is next to godliness, you know.

With the meats comes an excellent opportunity to exhibit your gymnastic attainments.

You will make yourself respected, now, by your left-hand as well as your right-hand neighbor.

You can make yourself still more agreeable by watching your opportunities in conversation.

When a gentleman has transferred a forkful of food from his plate to his mouth, address him suddenly.

It is very instructive to see a gentleman try to talk with his mouth full.

It is very amusing to see a gentleman half choked in his endeavor to get his mouthful of food out of the way, that he may answer you.

Of course you will eat all the while you are talking, and talk while you eat.

Thus will you pay a delicate compliment to your hostess's cook, show your social qualities, and prevent others possibly, from eating more than is good for them.

If pudding is served, say it doesn't agree with you.

But eat of it just the same, and call for more.

And here is an admirable opportunity to dilate upon the idiosyncrasies of your digestive apparatus.

The noblest study of mankind is man.

If pudding is not forthcoming, remark upon the singular idea some people have that pudding may be omitted from a dinner without ruining that dinner for people who understand such things.

When the pie comes, peep under it, or turn it over like a griddle cake.

This especially where the lady of the house does her own baking.

If the pie is underdone, it would be the right thing to mention the fact.

If it be done too brown, say something appropriate to the occasion.

When a lady makes a slip in her cooking, she likes to be told of it publicly.

Coffee should be drunk from the saucer, as though it were an oyster in its shell.

This gives you jaunty air.

If at a private table, never pass anything to your neighbor.

You may want all there is yourself.

Never hesitate to ask for what you cannot reach.

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