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A DESTRUCTIVE PRAIRIE FIRE.

Two Men Lost Their Lives. Several Houses Were Burned and a Number Lost Stock, Grain, Hay, and all Their Farm Implements.

One of the most extensive and destructive prairie fires known to the history of the county visited the northwest part of the county Monday. A very high wind continued all day from the northwest and the fire which originated somewhere in the vicinity of the Dismal river swept everything before it with the swiftness of the wind and it was utterly impossible to control it. It was about four o'clock in the morning when Mrs. Henry Morrissey of Eureka Valley noticed light shinning through her window. She awoke the family, when her husband and his brother Tommy Morrissey started to the stable to loose the horses. Tommy succeeded in reaching the stable in time to get his team out, but the screams of his wife and family caused Henry to return to the house to protect his family before he reached the barn. As soon as the fire had passed he started out to look for Tommy who was last seen at the barn, and found his lifeless body some fifteen rods south of the barn with every stick of clothing burned off except his shoes and gloves. The three horses which remained in the barn were burned to death, all the farm implement, grain, hay and three sets of harness went up in the flames. Many others in that vicinity sustained heavy losses, among them were Pat Teahan who had one horse and three cows besides his stables, grain and hay, Fred Boss lost his stables, 150 bushels of wheat, 4 hogs, hay and other stuff, and came near losing his life by suffocation. John McLaughlin lost his stables, Charley Shanklin and Hubert Leonard lost their houses, Hugh Clark's team was badly burned. Tierney Bros. ranch northwest of there had its buildings, hay and feed destroyed, loss estimated at \$4000. The fire swept the prairie clean, not leaving a spear of grass in its wake for a distance of 40 or 50 miles. About 11 o'clock Monday the fire again got in its deadly work on the west table 15 miles west of here and south of J. B. Klump's place. There John Koch, an old settler of that locality, a union soldier about 55 years of age was overtaken and burned to death in sight of his house. He had gone to the hay canyon with the boys to plow a fire guard around some hay stacks. While there he came uneasy and started to the house in order to protect the barn and the fire reached there. His son tried to prevail on him to wait until he finished plowing the breaks. When he would take him to the house in the wagon. But the old gentleman would not wait. In course of half an hour they had finished their plowing and started to the house. On reaching the table land they discovered the fire had passed. The fire had overtaken the old gentleman and he was overcome. His lifeless body was lying in a lagoon where had been tall grass, and his clothing was burned off, except shoes and his flesh burned to a crisp. Mr. Koch had been a resident of the table for the last thirteen years and was highly respected by all who knew him. He had his farm well improved and was comfortably situated. He leaves a family of a wife and seven children.

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on cor. south of P. O.,
A. E. ANDERSON,
Watchmaker and Jeweler, formerly north side.

Local Mention.

I want potatoes. J. N. Peale.
Cannon City coal at Dierks Lumber Co.
A good farm to rent. Call on Mrs. A. W. Gandy.
I buy and sell corn and oats. J. N. Peale.
Fresh vegetables and fruits for sale at J. N. Peale's.
C. P. Foote, of Merna, was a city visitor Friday.
FOR RENT:—Fifty acres of corn ground. Frank Weisenreder.
I have potatoes for sale from 15 cts per bu. up. J. N. Peale.
FOR SALE:—A good farm horse, enquire at this office.
J. L. McClean has commenced the study of law with N. T. Gadd.
Judge Sullivan went to Lexington Monday to hold a short session of court.
I have alfalfa and millet seed for sale. J. N. PEALE.
J. H. Chapman and W. E. Shupp, of Callaway, were city visitors yesterday.
All kinds of bulk and package garden seed for sale at J. N. Peale's.
A. R. Humphrey spent several days in Omaha last week on legal business.
The LARGEST line of ladies and gents watches in the county at Ed. McComas'.
HORSES—Eight good work horses for sale by, S. L. GLOVER & SON, Dry Valley.
I am now prepared to do plain family sewing, also dress making. Mrs. LILLIE KING.
The wind storm Monday was one of the worst we have had here for a long time.
Just received another stock of LADIES SET RINGS. THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL. Ed. McCOMAS.
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The Arnold correspondent of the Callaway Courier says Mrs. Moffit, who was recently stricken with paralysis, is improving.
Wanted, a girl to do general house work. Good wages to the right person.
Mrs. JAMES LEDWICH.
C. W. Booth of Custer was a friendly caller to day. He says the report that his house and buildings were burned is a mistake.
Messrs. A. A. Stuckey, Charley Miller and Pierce, of Georgetown, were city visitors Saturday. They made the REPUBLICAN office a welcome call.
J. B. Empfield kindly remembered this office Saturday while in the city. He reports a large amount of grain sown in his vicinity last week.
The young people of the Christian church will give a county seat social at the church Friday evening April 21st. Refreshments served in abundance.
C. E. Wilkinson, of Lincoln, formerly station agent here and at one time mayor of Broken Bow, made the REPUBLICAN office a pleasant call yesterday.
A crowd of about forty gathered at the home of Vienna Reynolds, last Thursday evening, April 13th, to celebrate her sixteenth birth day. All report a very enjoyable time.
At the preliminary hearing at Hyannus, last week, of the murder of Hough, the court decided it was a case of justified homicide. There seems to have been two sides to the case.
Judge Armour and family have moved to the Weimer building, recently vacated by H. G. Rogers. This change places the Judge much nearer his office, and affords him a better house.
Following is the list of dead letters for the week ending April 18: Mr. F. Anderson, card; Mr. D. B. Brown Parties calling for any of the above will please say advertised.
L. H. JEWETT, P.M.
FOR SALE—Best residence location in the city, two lots, corner of block, 96x112 ft. Vacant lots just west of J. J. Wilson's new residence. Cash purchaser will receive a rare bargain. JUD KAY.
John McCutcheon was the first man on the ground this spring to deliver nursery stock. Everything was in fine shape. He is surely a crackjack to handle trees. He gets his goods of Younger & Co., Geneva, Neb.
Wilson & Drake have an interesting communication this week in the REPUBLICAN, occupying a half sheet on the third page. They have some rare bargains of which they make mention, that you should not fail to read.
Mrs. Roberts, mother of Mrs. Fleet Walton, died last Sunday evening from an attack of the Grippe. Her remains were laid to rest Monday evening. A short funeral service was conducted at the house, Rev. Hornaday officiating.
Dominick Foran, of Rest has our thanks for a detailed account of the fire of that vicinity in which Tommy Morrissey was burned to death, and Charley Koch, of the west table, for the particulars of the fire in which his father, John Koch, lost his life.
A number of members of the Ben Hur order came up from Lincoln Tuesday night to do some work with the local lodge at this place. Those that came were C. E. Wilkinson, J. J. Cassidy and wife, V. G. Hobson and wife, O. A. Kumin and wife, H. G. Platt and wife and T. E. Morse.
D. W. Thomson, of this city, who has for several years been employed as collector for the Minnesota Chief Manufacturing Co., has recently been promoted to the general agency of the company with headquarters at Council Bluffs, Iowa. The REPUBLICAN congratulates Billy on his good luck. It is a promotion worthily bestowed.
Parties have entered complaints at this office that the street crossings where the boards have been turned and relaid still have the old nails in them on which one is liable to tear his shoe or pierce his foot, besides horses are liable to be crippled. If true the marshal should see at once and have his man who is making these repairs remove the nails.

Dr. Graham's new method of extracting teeth is absolutely painless. No sore mouth, as in the use of other local anesthetics. a25
J. O. Taylor, director of school district No. 24, called Monday to inform us that his district ranks, financially, above the one we mentioned last week, reported by Wm. Shuck, in the vicinity of Arnold. He found upon inquiry of the county treasurer that his district had over \$250 cash on hand. The district is out of debt, and only made a levy of ten mills last year.
Mrs. Barrett has received her first invoice of millinery. Those wishing hats will do well to call and examine her stock. At Merna, Neb. 3-30tf
A fire starting from a straw stack on the premises of Andrew Weinman in Round Valley Sunday, destroyed a lot of hay and other property for farmers between Round Valley and the Middle Loup, where the fire was checked. The straw stack had been burning for a week or ten days before, but the wind revived the burning embers, which it carried to the prairie beyond and caused the destruction.
Farms for sale and lands for rent. Now is the time to get a farm cheap, as the cheap farms are all going and prices are commencing to advance rapidly. J. G. Brenizer.
Mike Brown, manager of Dierks Lumber Co. at Lincoln, was a city visitor the first of the week. Before returning he was married to Miss Julia Copp, of Cliff, one of Custer county's most estimable young ladies, who accompanied him, Tuesday morning, to Lincoln. Mike was formerly at Broken Bow, and his many friends here join with the REPUBLICAN in extending congratulations.
A. F. Ingraham left Monday morning on a business trip to Virginia, where he has large interests in oil wells. Mrs. Ingraham and children accompanied him to Peoria, Illinois, where they will visit a month with relatives before they go on to Virginia. Her father, W. W. Cowles, who left this morning, accompanied by Mrs. Cowles, for Peoria, will accompany Mrs. Ingraham on the remainder of her journey. Mr. and Mrs. Cowles expect to remain east during the summer, but left their house and goods in shape so that they can come back at any time they may choose. Mr. Ingraham has rented his farm for a year and will stay east for a year or more.
Rev. C. M. Kelley and wife, and a young man by the name of Thornton, of Tabor, Iowa, are in this vicinity holding meetings and distributing religious tracts. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley are associate editors of a religious paper published at Tabor, called "Sent of God." They are working in the interest of the Hephzibah Faith Home at Tabor. The paper as well as the Home depend on faith for subsistence. They do no begging or soliciting. The paper is now in its eighth year. It and the Home, it is claimed, are prospering, and missionaries are continually being sent out, both home and foreign, and their support is provided through faith. Charley Kelley, as he is familiarly called here, was for a number of years a resident of this vicinity, and was one of Custer county's most successful teachers. He also preached occasionally. He is both well and favorably known by many of our citizens.
A meeting was held at the Grand Central hotel last Friday at 3 p. m. for the purpose of sending three delegates to attend the meeting at Lincoln the next day. An organization was effected by electing Judge Sullivan chairman and H. Lomax secretary. On motion Lieut. Orr, Mrs. Skelton and Taylor Flick were elected as delegates. A committee of three was selected to solicit the necessary funds to defray the expenses of the delegates, consisting of J. R. Dean, C. H. Jeffords and Jas. Stockham. The petition that had been circulated by Jas. Stockham, demanding the return of the volunteers, was, on motion, adopted, but afterwards rescinded. A motion was adopted that it was the sense of the meeting that the discharge of the First Nebraska be as soon as possible. On motion a member of Co. M. Relief Corps be added to the delegates, and the delegates chosen were to select its own delegate. But as the train was seven hours late the next day the delegates did not go to Lincoln.

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Best Celluloid Collars.....5c
Best L. L. Muslin.....3c yd
Turkey Red Calico.....3c yd

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