

The Tribune

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TO OUR ADVERTISERS.

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Local Intelligence.

Graham Flour at City Bakery.

Choice Apples, \$1.50 per bbl., at Rogers'.

Cash paid for Poultry at Dungan & Shekel's.

Buckwheat, Flour and Maple Syrup at Rogers'.

For the best Flour in town call at City Bakery.

Highest cash price paid for fat cattle by Dungan & Shekel's.

Choice cuts of beef, ham, pork and mutton at Dungan & Shekel's.

Fish and poultry at Dungan & Shekel's, every Thursday and Friday.

Fine sugar cured hams and breakfast bacon sliced at Dungan & Shekel's.

NOTICE.—From this date best of corn fed beef will be found at Farley's Market.

The Culbertson Sun is urging the matter of bridging the Republican at that point.

James Hatfield had another car load of corn hauled out to his ranch the first of the week.

Great bargains at Hayden & Co.'s. See advertisement on eighth page of this issue for bargains.

William Batcham says that 500 dead rawhides can be counted along the banks of Chief creek.—Sun.

If you want the best flour in town, call at the City Bakery. Samples given to those who wish to try it.

H. W. Pike is getting his lumber yard in shape. His stock building is completed, and office well under way.

The members of the Ladies' Union will meet at the residence of Mrs. G. L. Laws, to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

From a number of Stoughton people who have been in town during the week, we gain the information that settlers are coming into that locality rapidly.

We were shown some specimens of sod corn grown by Mr. Sheppard on the Willow, without any cultivation whatever, which certainly indicate that crops can be raised in Red Willow county.

There are plenty of claims on the divides back from Red Willow Creek, and to those hunting claims we say go out and look over them. The people along the Willow will show the land without charge willingly.

Just received, three barrels of Robertson County, Kentucky whisky, which I have for sale by the drink at my bar. Also, J. Schiltz & Co.'s Milwaukee beer constantly on hand.

JOSEPH BRAUN.

We had the pleasure of meeting the veteran journalist, Col. Pickett of the Bloomington Guard, during a recent enjoyable visit to that place. Also, Mr. Crane, the enterprising young man of the Franklin Echo.

Thirty-five young boys, sent to Nebraska by the Woman's Aid Society of New York, got off the train at Alma, Saturday morning. We understand the purpose is to bind them out to farmers and others in that neighborhood.

Numerous little houses dotting the hill sides can be viewed from the elevation north of the town site. Many of these claims have been entered during the past few months. Land in the vicinity of town has been taken up very rapidly.

A telegram received from Brush, Colo., about 150 miles west of McCook, Tuesday morning, stated that the heaviest snow storm of the season occurred during Monday night. There were four inches of snow on the ground Tuesday morning.

The contest of Mack vs. Tomblin occupied the attention of the Land Officers three days of this week. This is the second hearing of the case, and involves a timber-claim valued at \$500.

The idea of the size of McCook entertained by people living down the Valley are amusing indeed. People living in towns with about half our population, asked us whether McCook wasn't a very small town, and when informed of the population of our town, were greatly surprised to hear that McCook had grown to such proportions in less than two years.

G. W. Daniels, Mr. Hayden's popular manager, is having an addition 12x20 built on to his cosy little residence. He will also have a porch built on the addition, and other improvements made to his property, which is already one of the most desirable ones in our town. G. W. has become musically inclined and bought Tom McCartney's upright piano—a very sweet toned instrument at that.

The tramp who committed that terrible murder below the state line, in Kansas, recently, spent a night in Mike Weick's stable, west of town, last week. He also helped Mr. Weick dispose of a hearty breakfast in the morning. While his actions and words were very suspicious, being ignorant of the fact that a murder had occurred, Mr. Weick attached no importance to them. We are informed that the wretch has since been arrested.

We have the information that the contest of Green vs. Vondres was closely fought, occupying two days, and was finally continued until April 6th. The claim, from its proximity to town, is a valuable one, and the end is not yet. By the by, it were seasonable advice to those who are negligent respecting their claims to waken up, for claims cannot be held as easily as heretofore—there are two many on the look-out for such "takes."

The libel case of Phillippi vs. Whittaker came up for a hearing before Judge Ashmore, last Saturday, and Mr. Whittaker was bound over in the sum of \$100, taking his own recognizance, to appear at the next session of the District Court. The suit arose from an article in the Courier, written by Mr. Whittaker, in which Phillippi was mentioned in connection with the death of Mr. Picken's horse Bill, who is supposed to have left the land of the living under suspicious circumstances.

The party of 14 which arrived from Marengo, Iowa, last week, consists of L. O. Marble and family, M. F. Marble and family, B. F. Olcott and family, Samuel Brown and family, and Messrs. Long and Cain. We are happy to state that the entire party is well pleased with McCook, and will make this their home. L. O. Marble now has three buildings in course of erection, and we are informed that the other members of the party will build them homes. A number of other families are expected the first of the month.

Why John Plunket (and female companion) concluded to depart from amongst us doth thus appear: Tuesday evening of last week, a number of railroad boys held a levee at the Church Hill House in honor (?) of the above named individual, and prescribed a dose of tar and feathers, in an artistic manner to be administered, if peradventure, it did not appear clear to his mind that this clime was not congenial. He did not stand long on the order of his going—but went on the first train—bag and baggage.

The Emma Wells Co. gave performances in McCook, Monday and Tuesday evenings. The first entertainment was quite fair. Miss Ray's vocal solo, and Miss Wells' piano solo were roundly applauded, and the program throughout was "midling to fair." But Tuesday evenings performance was rather thin. The company needed some rehearsal, and filled in with very stale gags at times. We don't go much on the "four-voiced vocalist" business, but Miss Wells' performances on the piano forte are superb. They played to good houses both evenings.

"After the opera was over," Tuesday evening, the members of the Emma Wells Co. indulged in a war of words, in their rooms at the Dining Hall. To judge by the conversation which passed between the parties, we conclude that Marks, the manager of the troupe, had insulted the ladies by some remark he made during the evening's performance, and the ladies hinted in strong terms, that although alone and defenceless they could take care of themselves. We doubt not they can, for their demeanor was lady-like while here, if they are not murdered in cold blood by the portly manager's grammar.

Frank J. Sibley of Lincoln, W. C. T. of Nebraska, addressed a crowded house, Sunday evening, on the important subject of temperance. Mr. Sibley, representing the Good Templar organization of this state, has been doing good work in organizing lodges in the Valley. He expects to have lodges in effective working order in every town between McCook and Red Cloud—in fact but few towns remain in whose midst such organizations are not now flourishing. He returns to our town, Wednesday evening, March 5th, when he will organize a lodge in McCook. Let the friends of temperance turn out in force on that evening, and help form a strong, aggressive order.

In company with Mr. J. F. Forbes, we had the pleasure of participating in the mask ball held in the staid old burg of Bloomington, on the evening of the 22d. There were a very large number of maskers present, embracing people from Bloomington, Franklin, Riverton, Orleans and other towns. The costumes were varied and magnificent; and the supper at the Commercial House elegant. We are under obligations to the sterling agent of the B. & M., Mr. John Gordon, for courteous treatment. A little matter of courtesy which was overlooked by the ladies toward a number of strangers was the only drawback to the latter's unalloyed pleasure. Everything down the valley has a bright appearance. Considerable building is going on, and general improvement is being made. Prospects are fine—were never better.

B. F. Olcott, who recently arrived in McCook from Brooklyn, Iowa, with his family, has taken a half section of land about seven miles west and north of town. He has also bought a half interest in the livery stable of Jno. J. Dunbar. Since his arrival he has been driving around through the country somewhat, and informs us that he is very well pleased with the country adjacent to, as well as the town of McCook itself, and such is the verdict of the entire party who recently came here from Iowa. A number of them have informed us that they are pleased, and that they will build and stay with us. O. F. Cain has also entered a half section of land in this vicinity. He returns to Iowa soon to bring his family and two car-loads of household goods and stock to McCook. He will put down his stakes here, and make this place his future home.

A number of our business men have purchased 400 feet of hose, and at a trial of the same, Saturday, everything worked satisfactorily. At present we have but one large hydrant, which is situated in front of the Citizens Bank, but water can be thrown over many buildings in the neighborhood. With the immense power, which in cases of emergency can be gotten direct from the engine at the water works, no town in this state is in such shape as McCook in the way of fighting fire. In addition, most of our residences have small hydrants in front of them, and with a few feet of hose, almost every property owner can have a miniature fire department of his own with which he can successfully combat fires in their incipient stages; and then the advantages of irrigating yards is a most important consideration, or will be so during the warm weather of the summer. Our water works are the crowning glory of McCook, the Magic City of the Upper Republican.

Lively times are reported at the recent Tate-Hunter trial at Culbertson. A number of the participants came out with marks of the conflict.

This week has been one of unusual activity. The land-seekers were numerous, and our land officers were kept busy all the time. Building has been continued with great energy. New houses are springing up rapidly, and still the demand is greater than the supply. The carpenter work on the Menard building is being carried on rapidly, the same has been enclosed, weather boarded, the cornice put on, and the building will soon be ready for the brick layers. McCook is booming right along.

Our Land Officers are in constant receipt of letters asking for information like the following one from Posey county, Indiana, which has been handed to us to answer. In the first place there is plenty of land in this, Red Willow county, as well as in adjoining counties, subject to homestead, pre-emption and timber-culture entry, which is peculiarly adapted to mixed farming. If parties desire making Nebraska their future home, the Republican Valley is a good place to come to. Come look the land over.

STEWARTSVILLE, IND., Feb. 1884.
SIR:—Will you please give me some information concerning government lands. Is there any to be homesteaded in your or adjoining counties? Is it good for mixed farming, that is stock and grain? Where are the best government lands to be found? Please give me all the information you can, as some in this part of the state have our minds set on Nebraska.

HARRISON BARRETT.

CHURCH DEDICATION.

There will be service at St. Virgilius' Catholic Church in Indianola, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, at the hours of 10½ A. M., and 7½ P. M. Each day accompanied by instructions by Revs. Dr. Fanning, Father Rhulier and Father Reichert. Dedication services will take place on Friday, March 7th, the celebrant being Rt. Rev. Dr. Connor, Bishop of Dibona and Vicar Apostolic of Neb.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

Mayor Berger is entertaining his brother.

Chas. Love of the Sun was in town on Monday.

D. M. Tomblin, the Arapahoe banker, was in town, Monday.

Mr. Stearns of Hastings favored us with a short call, last Thursday.

Fred. Harris attended the masquerade ball at Friendville, Friday night.

Elmer Rowell has returned from an extended visit to brothers in Iowa.

G. L. Laws visited in Orleans and Republican City, Saturday and Sunday.

Jesse Welborn and Geo. A. Hunter from the county seat were in town, Friday.

Sheriff Welborn, Geo. Purdham and R. M. Snively had business in town, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Sibley and child, of Lincoln, were in town, Sunday and Monday.

W. J. McGillin and Benj. Bird of Benkelman were in town a number of days, this week.

Abe. Berry, the Medicine cattle man, with headquarters at Indianola, visited McCook, Friday.

Patrick Egan of Land League fame, now a resident of the state capital, was in town, Sunday.

R. S. Cooley of Stoughton, and Joe Williams of Vailton, were in town on business, Friday.

Mrs. A. P. Sharp and two children returned from a visit to friends in Indianola, Saturday.

J. T. Wray, who has been making his winter-quarters at McCook, returned to Culbertson, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Fisher went to Indianola, Saturday, on a visit, returning Sunday morning.

Mr. Henderson of Illinois has taken a claim north of town. He will move out from Illinois in the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Taylor and Mrs. A. E. Lytle of Culbertson came down to hear the Emma Wells Co., Monday night.

Chas. E. H. Guthrie of the Omaha Bee, and John H. Cornes of the Herald, were in town the close of last week.

Royal Buck, of Red Willow, who has been confined to the house since Christmas, we are pleased to see, is able to be around again.

Levi Sanderson of Blairville, Iowa, arrived in town, Saturday. He is a brother of W. M., whom he will assist during the summer.

Chester Pope and C. B. Sawyer of Coldwater, Furnas county, were in the first of the week, trying to buy a ranch for range purposes.

Mrs. C. N. Batchelor who has been visiting in Plattsmouth for some time, but lately returned home, went east on Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Stutzman, daughter of Mrs. P. Boyle, arrived in McCook, Sunday night. She was accompanied by her two children and Miss Black.

Mr. Watkins of the Blue Hill Times and W. S. Morris of the same town, were in town, last week. "They report the Valley booming."

Dr. P. Boyle, who has been visiting in Hillsdale, Ill., for the last three months, returned home Sunday night. His eyes were not benefited as much as was hoped.

Hiram Bixley and Samuel McClain of Collum, Ill., with their families have arrived in McCook. They have entered claims north of town, and are building houses in West McCook.

Senator Dolan made McCook a flying visit, Saturday. He reports having had a grand time during his recent visit to our national capital, the metropolis, and other points of interest in the east.

D. W. Irwin and George Bentley of Cambridge were in town on land business, Friday. Mr. Irwin instituted six contests and made eight entries besides. Mr. Bentley also entered a half section.

Sam. Ashmore came in from Hayes county, Saturday. He reports loss as being very light. He also says that more cattle perish along the railroad and river in the vicinity of Benkelman than anywhere else in this region.

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FOR SALE.

2,000 fence posts and 50 bushels of seed wheat. ROYAL BUCK, Red Willow, Neb.

LOST.

A brown woolen shawl, between J. E. Berger's and my residence, Wednesday night. Finder will be suitably rewarded by returning same to S. L. Green's Drug Store. A. M. KELLY.

FOR SALE.

3 or 4 horses, 2 cows, 2 brood sows, a few thorough-bred Plymouth Rock cockerels, and a well improved home and stock ranch. For prices, inquire of H. S. WEST, Indianola, Red Willow Co., Neb.