

TO OUR ADVERTISERS.

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CONGREGATIONAL.—Sunday School at 10 A. M. every week. Preaching services every Sunday night at 7.30, M. T. Also, every alternate Sunday morning at 11. M. T. Exceptions to the above will be noticed in locals. GEORGE HUNGAN, Pastor.

METHODIST.—Services every other Sunday morning at 10.30, M. T., and evening at 8. M. T. Sunday School every week at 3.30, M. T. Services held in Opera Hall. ALLEN BARTLEY, Pastor.

CATHOLIC.—Services will be held in the Opera Hall once every four weeks. JOSEPH CLEARY, Pastor.

A. F. & A. M.—McCook Lodge, U. D. meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. T. G. REES, Sec. G. L. LAWS, W. M.

I. O. G. T.—The Independent Order of Good Templars meet in the Congregational Church every Tuesday evening.

Local Intelligence.

KETCHUM.

Graham Flour at City Bakery.

Ketchum—We've got 'em—you bet.

Pickled pigs feet at the City Bakery. Try them.

"CONFUSION" at the Opera Hall, December 8th.

For pure drugs and medicines go to Metropolitan Drug Store.

J. S. Phillips sells the Ketchum Wagons—the best in the world.

We notice the arrival of a number of Russian emigrants, this week.

100 new Overcoats just received at Wilcox Bros., at from \$5 to \$20.

"Cubas", a long Havana filled cigar, for a nickel at Metropolitan Drug Store.

Rev. M. L. Custer will preach at the church, Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Don't forget the fact that at Metropolitan Drug Store you will receive the worth of your money every time.

At the City Bakery you will find the largest and most delicious California pears ever offered for sale in McCook.

We hear rumors of a number of new business enterprises which will be opened up in McCook, this fall and next spring.

An excellent quality of sweet Michigan cider at City Bakery. Also, a carload of Apples which will be sold cheap by the bushel.

C. B. & Q. stock was among the very few that made an advance last week. The Q. is on about as firm a footing as any road in the west.

The nicest Maple Syrup and new White Clover Comb Honey you ever saw at Wilcox Bros., and New Sorghum only 50 cents per gallon.

FOR SALE.—Some choice Timber-Clares and Deeded lands, to be sold at once. Enquire of COCHRAN & HELM, 1st door south of Gov't Land Office.

The new house in the west part of town is being built by Jacob Thomas, who recently arrived from New York state, and expects henceforth to sojourn amongst us.

We expect to give a report of our city schools at an early date. Parents will doubtless be interested in knowing how their children are progressing in their studies.

The official vote of Red Willow county this year for presidential electors is 907, and for regent of the university 933. Representing a population of about 4,500. Population in 1880 was 3,044.

A new skating rink is being built on the corner opposite Colvin House, by Charlie Fisher, Sam. Ashmore and Ed. Laycock. The building will be 50x90, and it is expected to be finished by Saturday a week.

The railroad boys seem to think that the Akron Eating House management takes the entire bakery at wholesale rates, when the other Eating Houses along the line wouldn't be entitled to an oyster cracker.

Although still in her second year of existence, our city has outstripped every town in the Republican Valley west of Red Cloud, and even Red Cloud will have to look out for her laurels—McCook is destined shortly to wear them.

A low sad wail comes, with the gentle breezes, from the eastern part of the state floating, by reason of the cheapness of corn. Price has been ranging from 10c. to 15c. the past week. Here corn brings from 25c. to 30c. and very little is brought to market at these prices.

We can beat the Jews on Flannels, Hoods, and all Dry Goods, etc. WILCOX BROS.

NOTICE!

Persons indebted to us will please call at our office and settle their accounts before December 31st, 1884. All over-due Notes held by us on January 1st, 1885, will be put in our lawyers hands for collection. All parties having accounts against us will please present them for payment at once.

Frees & Hocknell.

Mrs. Jackson Tubbs met with a very painful accident, Tuesday, while striving to get out of the way of a vicious cow. In her haste, she fell, spraining her ankle and bruising herself considerably.

Buy your Christmas candy at the City Bakery, where a consignment of curiously designed and handsomely decorated candies has just been opened. The finest, by all odds, ever brought into McCook. Call and see for yourself.

McCook ought to be a money order postoffice, and in view of the fact of the great convenience the postal note affords the public, it seems preposterous that no steps have been taken to make this a money order office, by its patrons. Who will prepare and circulate the necessary petition?

Thanksgiving was quietly observed in our town, almost all of the stores were closed in the afternoon, and our citizens all repaired to their respective homes and indulged in the conventional turkey dinner, with cranberry sauce, scolloped oysters, and other toothsome dishes to accompany.

We noticed the look of more than ordinary serenity on J. H. Yarger's countenance, last week, but knew not the wherefore of that smile serene was a recent edition of the persuasive gender who made her debut into their household last Sunday a week.

Mr. I. R. B. Arnold, whose illustrated lectures on Egypt, Palestine, Rome and Greece, were among the most attractive features of the Nebraska State Sunday School Assembly, will give a course in this place soon. Watch for dates and other particulars. His pictures are magnificent.

An exchange inquires: "How many of our fair ladies are mathematicians enough to add moral courage to beauty; subtract envy from friendship; multiply amiable accomplishments by sweetness of temper; divide time by sociability and economy and reduce scandal to its lowest denomination?"

Into whose eager mouth will the postoffice plum drop, is a question frequently propounded to us, in a variety of forms of expression. Editor Bishop gives his straw, but while the woods is full of prominent applicants for the office, we feel inadequate to the interrogatory. "Many are called, but few chosen."

It seems to be the prevailing opinion that the recent deaths that have occurred among stock are the result of feeding too much on dry corn stalks and smut, and that insufficient water makes the effects worse and fatal results more certain. Our stockmen may do well to give this matter attention, and thereby save their stock.

Young men, shun the dram shop and gaming table as you would a pestilence. I write not in anger or to criticize, but from the fullness of a heart that has felt the bitter effects of both. History lifts its warning voice and sad experience proves that nought of good, but much of misery follows indulgence in either.—JUNIOR JR.

Who will represent the Magic City at the World's Fair, that opens at New Orleans on the 15th day of this month. The fare from points like Omaha, Lincoln and Kansas City, is but a trifle over \$20. All who have the time and means should take advantage of the low railroad fare, and see the Crescent City in its holiday attire in winter.

"Cheeny Frank," a graduate of Dr. Baggs, the most notorious confidence man of his time, has been one of those attracted to this Mecca of the gambling fraternity, the past two weeks. Our information, coming from one who has known this individual in times past to his sorrow, is to the effect that no tougher all-around-man can be scared up in these parts. Forewarned, forearmed.

For the best Flour in town call at City Bakery.

Business men, now is the time to advertise for the Holiday trade.

Manager Bragg is engaged this week in putting on a 40 ft. addition to his rink, and expects to have it completed by Saturday.

Despite all our denials there are a number of papers in adjoining towns and counties that are industriously circulating the false statement that a cattle disease is epidemic in Red Willow county. We repeat, sirs, with increased emphasis, that no disease exists to any extent among cattle in this county, and don't forget it.

We clip the following from the State Journal's personals. There are many in our city who will be glad to hear that Alex. Stewart is able to be out—even on crutches: Alex. Stewart, the engineer who was seriously injured in the Hubbell disaster, is in the city, walking on crutches. He has had a serious time, but feels thankful that he got out of so frightful an accident with no worse injury.

Gosper County Citizen: Mr. Frank Everest from McCook, has been in this part of the county buying cattle, after purchasing 150 head he returned to his home. He is a jolly good fellow and we will miss those bright smiles for some time, but he intends to return some day in the near future. * * * A. A. Whyte sold 58 head of his cattle to H. T. Church of Frontier county, who took them away Saturday.

The number of intoxicated men, who staggered around through our streets, Monday, is a misfortune and disgrace to any town. It does seem as though the flood gates of intemperance had been thrown wide open in our midst, and it does not require a prophetic eye to look into the future and see the result. This is a well-spring of consolation: "The mills of God grind slowly, but they grind exceeding small; though with patience stands He grinding, with exactness grinds He all."

There is some talk of organizing a telephone company at Norton, connecting Edmond, Logan, and as far east as Kirwin, and west to Oberlin, and thence to McCook, Neb. It would be a grand scheme, and after it was once put in operation, we would wonder how we could get along without it as long as we did. Col. Chapman offers to take \$500 stock, and possibly \$1,000. Norton has the capital, and it would be a paying investment. Let us call a meeting and talk the matter up.—Norton (Kas.) Champion.

What a conflagration a small fire kindleth—sometimes. Two neighbors in South McCook had a little misunderstanding concerning the ownership of an innocent old hen, last week, and during the continuance of the misunderstanding, the innocent female specimen of the featherly tribe came to a sad and untimely end. This action led to a further misunderstanding between the ladies of the respective houses, which it seemed would require the intervention of a justice to settle, had not John Farley assumed the roll of the peace maker, and by his exertions and proposition to pay all costs, had the case dismissed. Never carry such small matters into court, brethren, you can't afford it.

A young man by the name of Goodrich who has been around town for the last two or three weeks, on a high lonesome, and during this lonesome time, in which he has been indulging highly, has been borrowing various suans from different people. One evening last week he approached a party who had already made him a loan of about \$15, and asked for the loan of his overcoat for the evening. The party approached, feeling that such cheek ought to be rewarded, handed over the coat to the suppliant, who forth with engages in a game of poker and puts the overcoat "in soak." After this escapade the young man made himself less numerous on our streets, taking a vacation at Culbertson and Benkelman for a season. Wednesday afternoon the young man took the train at Culbertson for eastern parts, and the Judge, who was still warm over the loss of his coat, was promptly on hand at the depot with Constable McCormick, and the overcoat soaker was arrested, and on his paying for the coat and all costs he was discharged. He may consider himself lucky that the matter was dismissed at that juncture. A number of our confiding boys are out of pocket in various sums. The young man is smooth—very—and borrowed in all some \$200 or \$300, how much was refunded we know not.

PERSONAL POINTERS.

J. T. Morris of Stockville was in town, on real estate business, Monday.

Dr. T. D. Pollock, one of our solid men on the Beaver, made THE TRIBUNE a short call, Saturday.

C. A. Frederick of Council Bluffs, largely interested in town property made a business trip to town, the first of the week.

Ed. Ellridge of Culbertson was in town, Friday and Saturday, looking after a bunch of 15 head of cattle that were estray.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McG. Robb entertained a number of our young people at their residence, Wednesday evening, in their usual happy manner.

Editor Packard of the Sterling, Colo., News, was in town, Tuesday, looking into the prospects of McCook for a journalistic venture. We are not advised as to his decision.

W. P. Saunders of Omaha, special agent Phenix Insurance Co. of Brooklyn, and brother A. V. S. Saunders, clerk of the District Court of Gage county, were in McCook, the first part of this week, looking for claims.

Mr. and Mrs. Clothier returned to their home in Mt. Holly, New Jersey, Sunday morning. It will be remembered that Mrs. Clothier met with a serious accident up on the Willow, some time since, whereby she received a badly fractured limb. Every arrangement for comfort was made by Mr. Clothier, a state room being secured from this point through to Philadelphia. These estimable people were visiting at the Stokes & Troth ranch until the accident, and since then occupied quarters in town.

We understand from an entirely reliable source that a faro bank is in full operation in our town, and that the game (styled prox in the nomenclature of the profession,) is a regular skin game—to ensnare suckers and "snaps," as we heard one of these individuals remark—a game in which the dealer is sure of winning and the sucker is equally certain of losing. Citizens of McCook think you not that it is about time that the almighty arm of the law were brought to bear on the violators of its dignity. We can at least secure an abatement—if not an entire riddance. Gambling has assumed an importance altogether out of proportion to our town, and by reason of the fact that so far they have enjoyed entire immunity from the law, many notorious parties from Denver and other like resorts of that fraternity, where the climate is now too warm for their comfort, have been attracted here. This matter ought to be taken in hand and dealt with as it richly deserves.

The Commercial House, Isaac Hoback, proprietor, is rapidly nearing completion, and will in a few days be ready for the accommodation of the public. This house will fill a long felt need. While the restaurants have been amply numerous to feed everybody, the lodging facilities have been entirely inadequate. The Commercial House contains sixteen sleeping rooms, and the usual office, dining room and kitchen, and will be finished throughout substantially and well.

The McCook Dramatic Company will present the latest London and New York Success, "CONFUSION," at the Opera Hall, Monday evening, December 8th.

Just arrived, at the City Bakery, a car-load of the Cream and Fancy brands of Grand Island Flour. Also, a supply of corn meal.

For musical instruments and music go to Metropolitan Drug Store.

Valley Grange School.

Report of attendance, deportment and examinations for the fall term of 1884:

Table with columns: PUPILS, Attend, Disrupt, Absent, Spelling, Reading, Gram. and rows for John Davis, Clarence Whittaker, Alfred Fitch, Arthur Nettleton, Frank Fitch, Harry Frederick, Flora Frederick, Minnie Whittaker, Alice Bartley, May Frederick, Nannie Davis, Burnace Jacobs.

The Valley Grange school closed November 21st. The Driftwood school will commence the first Monday in January, 1885. Let the scholars all come in the first day of school.

NETTIE BLACK, Teacher.

FOR SALE.

Quarter section of land, timber and water, 3 1/2 miles, and a 37-acre parcel, 3/4 miles from McCook. Both deeded. Call on or address, EATON BROS., McCook, Neb.

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