

THANKSGIVING DAY.

The following is the text of the annual Thanksgiving Proclamation, which was issued by the president on Monday, Nov. 1st: "It has long been the custom of the people of the United States, on a day in each year especially set apart for that purpose by their chief executive, to acknowledge the goodness and mercy of God, and to invoke His continued care and protection. In observance of such custom, I, Grover Cleveland, president to the United States, do hereby designate and set apart Thursday, the 25th day of November, instant, to be observed and kept as a day of thanksgiving and prayer. On that day let all our people forego their accustomed employments and assemble in their usual places of worship to give thanks to the Ruler of the Universe for our continued enjoyments of the blessings of a free government, for a renewal of business prosperity throughout our land, for the return which has rewarded the labor of those who till the soil, and for our progress as a people in all that makes a nation great; and while we contemplate the infinite power of God in earthquakes, flood and storm, let the grateful hearts of those who have been shielded from harm through His mercy be turned in sympathy and kindness toward those who have suffered through His visitation. Let us also, in the midst of our thanksgiving, remember the poor and needy with cheerful gifts and uttermost deeds of charity so that our service may be made acceptable in the sight of the Lord. "In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the United States to be affixed. "Done at the City of Washington, this 1st day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-six, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eleventh. "GROVER CLEVELAND, President. "T. F. BAXAM, Secretary of State.

God bless all good women. To their soft hands and pitying hearts we must all come at last.—Holmes.

The matter with Grover Cleveland is egotism. He is an immense egotist. Grover Cleveland is his ever prevailing and pervading sentiment.—N. Y. Sun (Dem.)

The strike just declared off in Chicago, cost the Knights of Labor \$50,000 per day. \$50,000 represents a good many beef-steaks, not taking into account luxuries.

ELECTION day should be made a holiday in Nebraska. Workingmen find it difficult to vote on their way to and from their work. With the day a holiday there would be no difficulty found in securing a full vote.

The Holdrege Republican has somewhat severe to remark concerning the "fool friends of prohibition." Milt forgets his personal use for just that "fool thing"—prohibition, in the sharpness of his strictures there against.

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE COLERIDGE of England, is quoted as saying: "Judges are weary with calling attention to drink as the principal cause of crime, but I cannot refrain from saying that if they could make England sober they would shut up nine-tenths of the prisons."

SHREWD a lawyer as Mr. Tilden was supposed to be he seems to have made a will so loose that some ten or twelve million dollars he desired for the public use will eventually be divided among his relatives. By a provision of his will he devised the bulk of his property to the "building and endowing a library and an educational institution in New York." But the will then goes on to declare that if the trustees "shall deem it inexpedient" to apply the property or any part of it to "the said institution," they are authorized to apply it "to such charitable, educational and scientific purposes as in the judgment of my said executors and trustees will render" the fund "most widely and substantially beneficial to the interests of mankind." The supreme court has declared that a man cannot delegate such a power to a trustee.

WHETHER the work of anarchist, communist, or madman, the discovery of dynamite bombs under a car in which innocent passengers had sat and perhaps slept for many hours is an additional warning of the necessity of anti-dynamite legislation by congress and by all the states. And it is also a notice to the public that it is time to summarily squelch the Celtic dynamite shriekers. Murder by dynamite is just murder by dynamite. No sympathy for oppressed Ireland or oppressed labor or oppressed capital or oppressed anything else can make it otherwise. If we hold that it is right to purchase dynamite to kill Englishmen with, some Pole or Hungarian may make the deduction that it is not wrong to buy it to kill Americans with. The use, purchase, or possession of dynamite should be conceded only to persons who are licensed by state or municipal authority. The possession of it without license should be made a misdemeanor.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

EVIDENCES continue to accumulate that the year's corn crop is heavier than at first reported. Last month's government report placed the total yield at 1,650,000,000 bushels. In addition there remains from last year's harvest some 350,000,000 bushels. There is evidently to be no scarcity this winter of our great western staple. In spite of the predictions of bulls and the reports of speculators. A feature of the crop which has an important bearing on prices is the unusually prime condition in which corn is coming into the market. Chicago dealers report that much of this year's crop is already grading No. 2. Fine weather has allowed the kernel to ripen and dry, and it is reaching the sea-board in competition with that of last year's crop. Weakening prices are the natural result. The prospect of stiffening value in corn this winter are not brilliant. There will be an ample supply for all domestic wants and a full exportable surplus. This means cheap food in the cities and small returns on the farm. The railroads will as usual lose nothing. In moving the crop the extortionate transportation middleman will see that the lion's share of the difference between prices at the country elevator and the lakes shall fall into his capacious maw. But the best prospect for corn in Nebraska is that a larger amount than ever before will be turned into beef, pork and mutton within the limits of our own state. The number of cattle, hogs and sheep, which will be fed in Nebraska during the present season, will exceed by many thousands the records of the best years of the past. The ranges have been moved west but the range cattle will winter among us, furnishing at a score of large feeding establishments a ready home market for our staple crop. Corn on the hoof discounts corn on ear. It pays double the profit of corn at the elevator. The economic problem of the day for farmers is condensation of product. The experiment cannot be more profitably tried than with corn and stock feeding.—Omaha Bee.

The railroad commission has for several months been corresponding with some of the corporations of the state in the matter of the transportation of sheep. It has been the custom to charge regular stock prices for car loads of sheep, while none but single decked cars were used. The commissioners have insisted upon the substitution of double decked cars as soon as practicable, or a reduction of the charges, to correspond with the charges made in those states and by those lines where double decked cars were in use. The companies have complied with the request of the commissioners, and new schedules have been issued making a double decked carload the standard, and where they are not furnished, reducing the charges one-half. This will be of great service to the sheep growers and will increase the sheep culture of Nebraska.—State Journal.

HARD coal at Lincoln has gone up to \$11.50 per ton. The Democrat of that city feels constrained to the opinion that the entrance of another big railroad or two into the state capital would probably raise the price to \$13. Pleasant are the ways of competition—wherein is no competition.

ONE of the greatest difficulties which the speaker of the next house of representatives will encounter will be the selection of capable men for committee chairmanships. More than half of those occupying these positions in the present congress, were retired by their constituents.

IT there is to be a county in the state without a railroad twelve months from now, all signs fail. Nebraska will see more railroad building in 1887 than she has witnessed in any one year of her history.

Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup Will relieve that cough almost instantly and make expectoration easy. Acts simultaneously on the bowels, kidneys and liver, thereby relieving the lungs of that soreness and pain and also stopping that tickling sensation in the throat by removing the cause. One trial of it will convince any one that it has no equal on earth for coughs and colds. McMillen & Weeks have secured the sale of it and will guarantee every bottle to give satisfaction.

GOVERNOR DAWES has issued the usual thanksgiving day proclamation.

Salt Rheum or Eczema, Old sores and ulcers, Scaldhead and ringworm, Pain in the back and spine, Swelling in the knee joints, Sprains and bruises, Neuralgia and toothache, Tender feet caused by bunions, corns and chilblains, I warrant Beggs' TROPICAL OIL to relieve any and all of the above. McMILLEN & WEEKS.

EDUCATIONAL.

The substantial brick building for the Citizens bank is nearing completion.

The pupils of this school will be glad to learn that May O'Brien is convalescent.

On Monday, the 25th of this month, the new music books were tried and gave great satisfaction.

We think gambling should be prevented on the school grounds—at least as much as on the streets.

Monday of this week, school opened in the new building recently finished for that purpose, with Mrs. Smith installed as teacher.

On the 20th of this month, nine pupils in the high school department were examined in spelling. Great excitement prevailed, as the successful ones would give up the study. Although the words were long and difficult, all but nine passed, and we offer them our hearty congratulations.

On last Saturday afternoon, one of the most exciting foot races ever witnessed by the reporter, took place on the farm of Mr. John Everts, one mile east of town. It was between two well known champion hunters, and owner of said farm. For further particulars inquire of Wilcox, Clyde or Helm.

Last Friday morning, the Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church gave a New England supper, which proved to be the most pleasant social event of the season. At an early hour the guests began to arrive and partake of an excellent and substantial repast. Handsome cakes, chickens, pies, the old fashioned pumpkin pie of our grandmothers, and other delicacies too numerous to mention, loaded the tables, and all the fault the guests could find was that they could not eat enough. The southwest corner of the church was tastefully fitted up as a bazaar for the display and sale of fancy and useful articles prepared for the occasion. Excellent music was furnished by the choir with Rev. E. J. Hall presiding at the organ. We noticed several of the High School pupils present, who seemed to enjoy themselves very much; we especially noticed Levi Sanderson and some of the other most prominent school boys, paying particular attention to the girls. After an evening of unlimited pleasure, the guests departed for home, and the weary workers gathered around a table to compare notes and count the shekles and were pleased to find their efforts had been generously rewarded, and we say justly so. The affair was a grand success.

Thanksgiving Exercises.

MCCOOK PUBLIC SCHOOL. Chorus.....School. Declaration.....Dick Jarvis. Reading.....Amy Avery. Piano duet.....Eva Hurd and Anna Collins. Recitation.....(The Creeds of the Bells, Grace Martin. Music.....Elmer Helm and Edwin Wilcox. Dialogue.....Anna Dixon, Elva Hunt, Elmer Helm and Edwin J. Wilcox. Quartette....."Mildred's Peterkin Paul," Bertha Boyle. Reading of the paper.....Independent. Thanksgiving selections. Singing.....School. Wednesday, November 24th, 1886.

The following was the attendance at school, Friday: High school department.....21 Miss Murphy's room.....20 Miss McNamara's room.....9 East Ward.....15 West Ward.....13 Total.....78 The amount of money now on deposit to the credit of our city schools, in the name of Principal Webster, as trustee, is \$87.01.

MUNN PATENTS ESTABLISHED 1846 NEW YORK After Forty years experience in the preparation of more than One Hundred Thousand applications for patents in the United States and Foreign countries, the publishers of the Scientific American continue to act as solicitors for the inventors of mechanical, electrical, agricultural, etc., for the United States, and to obtain patents in Canada, England, France, Germany, and all other countries. Their experience is unequalled and their facilities are unsurpassed. Drawings and specifications prepared and filed in Patent Office on short notice. Terms very reasonable. No charge for examination of models or drawings. Advice by mail free. The SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN, which has the largest circulation and is the most influential newspaper of its kind published in the world. The advantages of such a notice every patentee understands. This large and splendidly illustrated newspaper is published WEEKLY at \$3.00 a year, and is admitted to be the best paper devoted to science, mechanics, inventions, engineering, works, and other departments of industrial progress, published in any country. It contains the names of all patents and titles of every invention patented each week. Try it four months for one dollar. Sold by all news-dealers. If you have an invention to patent write to Munn & Co., publishers of Scientific American, 361 Broadway, N. Y. Handbook about patents mailed free.

FINAL PROOF NOTICES.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., October 17th, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Friday, December 17th, 1886, viz: Arthur B. Goodner, D. S. 3265, for the southwest 1/4 section 34, town 1 N., range 29 west, 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: E. L. May, C. C. Smith, Frank Spicer, Christ Ely, all of Cedar Bluffs, Kan. S. P. HART, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., October 8th, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Tuesday, December 21st, 1886, viz: Harry L. Rosecrans, D. S. 2565, for the west 1/2 southeast 1/4 and east 1/2 southwest 1/4 section 13, town 4 north, range 29 west, 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Michael C. Rider, Samuel McClain, Charles W. Angel and John S. Modrel, all of McCook, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., November 1, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Saturday, December 11th, 1886, viz: Charles E. Stiles, Homestead 5699, for the east 1/2 southwest 1/4 and east 1/2 northwest 1/4 section 2, town 4 north, range 29 west, 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Richard E. Hoyer, William Thomas, Wm. Conrain and Fred Cogger, all of Box Elder, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

NEW Gold and Silver Mine DISCOVERED! A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN BUY GOLD CHEAPER THAN YOU CAN DIG IT. THAT IS THE EXPRESSION OF EVERY ONE WHO VISITS SCOTT'S NEW JEWELRY STORE We have come to McCook to stay. Have built a brick building on Main street and have no rents to pay, and can sell goods for less money than any one west of Chicago. We keep the Largest Stock of Diamonds, Watches, Jewelry and Silverware in the West, and every one is surprised at the extremely low prices we are selling them for. We keep everything usually found in a first-class store. We want your trade and will make it to your interest to buy of us. A full line of Roger & Bro. Knives, Forks, Spoons and Table Ware at Chicago prices. ORGANS AND PIANOS! FOR RENT AND SALE, VERY LOW. TURN ME OVER. BE VERY CAREFUL About taking your Watches and Clocks to get them repaired and repaired and made as nice as new. 18 years experience in repairing Fine Watches and Jewels, who has had 15 years avoid dissatisfaction by getting Mr. Scott to repair them, who has had about taking your Watches and Clocks to get them repaired and repaired and made as nice as new.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., October 29th, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Friday, December 10th, 1886, viz: John H. Evert, Homestead 3912, for the south 1/2 northwest 1/4 and north 1/2 southwest 1/4, section 27, town 3 north, range 29 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: W. H. Hamilton, William Doyle, Richard Johnston and W. H. Smith, all of McCook, Neb. G. L. LAWS, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., October 12th, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Friday, November 19th, 1886, viz: Nettie C. East, D. S. 2823, for the southeast 1/4 southwest 1/4 section 25, township 4 north, range 29 west. She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: C. H. Berry, H. L. Berry, F. L. Brown and C. M. Collins, all of McCook, Neb. G. L. LAWS, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., November 1st, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Thursday, Dec. 10th, 1886; Amos H. Reynolds, Homestead 519, for the southeast 1/4 section 11, town 4 north, range 29 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Josiah Moore, Alex. W. Campbell, Valentine Hogle and Jacob Long, all of Box Elder, Neb. S. P. HART, Register.

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LAND OFFICE AT MCCOOK, NEB., October 30th, 1886. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register or Receiver at McCook, Neb., on Monday, December 11th, 1886, viz: James Blossom Farnsworth, Homestead 2128, for the southeast 1/4 section 17, town 1 north, range 29 west, 6th P. M. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Sidney Dodge, John Goodenberger, Saxton B. Conrain, Amos Goodenberger, all of McCook, Neb. G. L. LAWS, Register.

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THIS SPACE IS RESERVED FOR THE FAMOUS CLOTHING CO. JONAS ENGEL, MANAGER. WHO WILL OCCUPY THE FRANKLIN BRICK, ON THE S. W. COR. OF MAIN AND DENNISON STS., MCCOOK, ABOUT DECEMBER 1.