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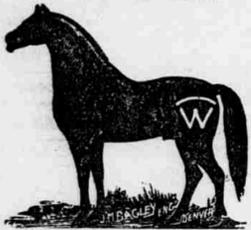
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TOWN 4, RANGE 30.

H. Traill is putting out a crop on the claim of J. N. Lucas.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz, a boy, and they feel proud of him, too. They now have three boys and no girls.

M. H. Cole and lady were in McCook, Wednesday, beholding the vast improvements being made there these days.

Wm. Coleman is on the sick list, being confined to his bed a part of last week. Is somewhat improved at this writing.

W. E. Ketch, of Dry Creek, visited in these parts, last Sabbath. He attended Sabbath school and preaching services.

Small grain looks well, and corn planting is pretty well over, while the first planted is making its appearance through the ground.

Mrs. Geo. White received the sad intelligence that her mother is very sick, with no hopes of recovery. She started at once for Iowa to see her once more alive if possible.

While in the discharge of our duties as Assessor we found some very fine horses. Messrs. O. F. Cain and P. Groves each have a team valued at \$400 each. They are fine ones for sure.

G. Batts is sinking a well, is down 100 feet. He thinks that hole would look odd pushed up into the air. He has in his possession and keeping an excellent time-piece, that has been in constant use for over 60 years.

There are 179 hogs in this precinct, (four legged ones we mean, we didn't assess the others,) valued at \$193. A. Jelinek has the heaviest lot, as his averaged 300 pounds, but he only had one. We found 208 head of cattle, valued at \$1,225 and 96 horses worth \$2,410.

While trying to straighten things in this town, last week, we met a poser. We found a house so situated that a school district line ran through the center of it, and while the family cooked and eat in one end of the house, they slept in the other. Query: Which district do they belong to?

J. W. Corner has put in a new water tank, and has it so arranged that stock from three different lots can drink from it. An inch pipe carries the water from the well to the tank, while a windmill does the work. He has also fenced off 100 acres for a pasture, with a good, substantial wire fence. We love to see these evidences of prosperity among us.

Our friend and neighbor, A. B. Davis, met with a sad misfortune, some weeks ago. The roof of his sod house fell in, and almost entirely ruined his furniture. This is a hard blow to him, as he is dependent upon his own labor for support, and is well advanced in years. He has received some substantial evidences of sympathy from friends. It was after night and raining quite hard at the time the accident occurred. It certainly would have been attended with loss of life, had not its occupants, Mr. Davis and daughter, repaired to the cave a short time previous to the accident.

The scholars of our school gathered at the home of their teacher, Miss Hettie Moore, last Saturday afternoon, and had things pretty much their own way. Miss Maudie Murphy came out from McCook to enjoy the occasion with her playmates. After enjoying themselves with their games and plays for some hours, supper was announced, when they repaired to the dining hall, where they found the table loaded with the delicacies of the season. After appeasing their hunger, they bade their teacher good-by and returned to their homes, well satisfied that their teacher was a good cook as well as a good teacher. Miss Moore was well pleased with her little visitors, and hopes they may come again.

PLEASANT PRAIRIE.

Corn planting is mostly over. Only one more week of school after this week.

Miss Maggie Goodwin visited Miss Mary Higgins, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell were visiting on the prairie, last Sunday.

Quite a number of new carriages are to be seen along the roads of late.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cobbs visited in this vicinity, a week ago Sunday.

Joe Reiph spent last Sunday at Pleasant Ridge. Is it a pretty country, Joe?

Mrs. Ida Whittaker spent a few days of last week at her father's, Mr. Lawthers.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell are preparing to move to McCook to live. We are sorry to have them go.

N. J. Johnson accompanied M. C. Hubbell as far as McCook on his returning trip to Laird, last Tuesday.

Miss Fannie Richardson, Bell Coltrain, Jennie Belle and Ed. Lawthers were out pleasure riding, last Sunday.

M. C. Hubbell, who is nine years old, surprised Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, about four o'clock last Sunday, by riding unexpectedly, coming alone all the way from his father's place near Laird, Frontier county, a distance of 50 miles. B. J. J.

VAULTON NOTES.

Once more we find time to let the outside world know that we verily live, thrive and prosper.

John Gambill sold his fine piece of real estate, last week.

C. J. Rice and wife spent a few days at Vaulton, quite recently.

Miss Widgen will instruct the youths of Vaulton, this summer.

We are glad to see the hundreds of acres broken in this vicinity, and large tracts under cultivation.

The death of our young friend and neighbor, Wesley Widgen, was a great blow to his fond mother and sister, and hard indeed was it to see that many form laid in the silent grave.

Death visited the home of neighbor Kaley and called away one of their grandchildren and a little niece also. Surely troubles seldom come singly. We are glad to note, however, the improved condition of Mr. K.'s health. RALPH.

Purify Your Blood.

If your tongue is coated,
If your skin is yellow and dry
If you have a bad taste in your mouth
If you have fever,
If you are thin and nervous,
If you are bilious,
If you are constipated,
If your bones ache,
If your head aches,
If you have no appetite,
If you have no ambition,
One bottle of BREGG'S BLOOD PURIFIER AND BLOOD MAKER will relieve any and all of the above complaints. Sold and warranted by McMillen & Weeks.

OWNER TO STRANGER—That property is worth \$37,000; I wouldn't take a cent less. STRANGER—Well, I don't want to buy; I am only an assessor, making out the roll for taxes. OWNER—Oh, I beg pardon. I should consider myself fortunate if I could get \$17,000 for that property.

Can't Sleep Nights is the complaint of thousands suffering from Asthma, Consumption, Coughs, etc. Did you ever try Acker's English Remedy? It is the best preparation known for all Lung Troubles, sold on a positive guarantee at 10c., 50c. McMillen & Weeks.

THE FLORA OF NEBRASKA.

"Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow." is a divine command as old as our era, applicable, not only to lilies proper but to all flowers. An observation attests the importance of such study by its refining and elevating power and salutary moral influence. The mind is trained to observe closely and note fine distinctions. The sense of the beautiful is gratified in an exquisite degree and life is thereby sweetened and softened.

The flora in this corner of Nebraska is unique and the flowers are often without names and associations. However, that does not prevent an intimate acquaintance through a study of their habits and characteristics. Protoplasm, the plant-cell, the various tissues of the plant, are properly subjects of microscopic study and necessary to a thorough knowledge of its anatomy and physiology, but very many must study the vegetable kingdom, if at all, without such help and need to begin with those facts, that eyes trained to see by seeing may discover. In this, as in many other things, one may be thankful to be well smattered. The parts of the plant, the structure, the mode of growth, its flower and fruit, its form and uses are subjects that the unaided eye can investigate.

Our earliest flower comes in March while the nights are freezing cold. It is so close to the ground that a knife is needed to gather it. The leaf is glaucous and bi-pinnatifid, the root long and fleshy, the flowers small, white, and in an umbel and it belongs to the umbel worts, *CYRORHIZAS GLOMERATUS*. Following this is one quite similar, in the same family, but differing in having a glossy leaf, a larger umbel and the whole plant is higher.

PANICULUM RUDICALE. They lack fragrance and associations, but their feathery leaves are delightful reminders of coming greenness. The *ASTRAGALUS* also comes early and is here a numerous variety. I think there are nearly sixty varieties. One kind has flowers of almost every tint. A very large bunch would hardly include all the colors. The fruit of one is a parti-colored berry as large as a good sized marble. You find a cluster of the little beauties lying in a concave spot in the ground like a nest of bird's eggs. Sometimes it is called buffalo berry astragalus. The delicious sweet pea is also found wild about the last of April.

ASTRAGALUS MOLLISSIMUS is said to be the poisonous loco weed dreaded by stock men. RUSTICUS.

SOUTH SIDE LOCALS.

Everything is looking very promising on our side.

Several persons have been bitten by rattlesnakes.

The south divide has hidden the traces of the late prairie fire by robbing herself in a beautiful mantle of green.

Will Long has quite improved his place. He has put up a snug stable, and has also adorned the front of his house with a flower garden.

It is strongly rumored that the long-expected Rock Island will come up the Republican valley on the south side of the river, and relieve us from the clutches of the B. & M.

Rev. E. J. Hall has ten acres in cultivation and expects to do his share towards the improvement and prosperity of the district and county. Look out for big turnips, onions, etc., this fall.

It would be well and prudent for our cattle men on the south side to see that their fences which were injured by the fire be repaired, as the cattle and horses get out and cause serious damage in the neighborhood.

There is a species of snake more dangerous than any known, and of which we cannot get rid. This poisonous reptile is always coiled, ready for its dire work, in the mouth of every individual. Namely, "The Tongue."

We hear a sample of monopoly oppression of a three dollar per week clerkship, and expected to pay out of that for incidental expenses. The time is coming when instead of the employe being paid, he will have to pay his employer for the privilege of working for him. It is high time that the working man in whatever branch of labor be protected in some way or other from this out-and-out robbery. REPORTER.

Many of the good things of this life are sorrowfully left alone on account of Dyspepsia. Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets will cure Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Constipation; sold on a positive guarantee at 25 and 50 cents, by McMillen & Weeks.

BOX ELDER BLOSSOMS.
Corn is coming up nicely.
Sunday school picnic, June 4th.
Another nice shower, yesterday.
Get ready for the Fourth at Box Elder.
An addition is being built to the store.
Children's day exercises, 2nd Sunday in June at the church.
Ed. Powell declares he is not going to "bach," it much longer.
N. J. Chrysler is attending court at Stockville, this week.

Mr. Kimbel went fishing, the other day. Said he had first-rate luck—got home safe.

The father and mother of J. E. and R. C. Moore have arrived and will locate permanently.

AL Williams has proved up on his claim, and started the business of selling thunder and lightning rods.

Wolves are getting to be very numerous and ferocious. Can't something be done to exterminate these pests. SELDON.

Save the Children. They are especially liable to sudden attacks of bowel complaint during the summer months. It is always alarming and often fatal, the only rational plan is to be provided at all times with the safest and surest remedy, and promptly treat the disorder in its first stages, and before the vitality becomes exhausted. Unexpected delays so often occur in sending for a physician or medicine, especially during the night or from a distance, that no one can afford to risk such uncertainties when life depends upon promptness, keep a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand for instant use, it is made for bowel complaint only and is unquestionably the most reliable medicine ever brought into general use. The price is no object compared with its value in saving life. Sold by Willey & Walker and McMillen & Weeks.

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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 BREGG'S TROPICAL OIL to relieve any and all of the above. McMILLEN & WEEKS.

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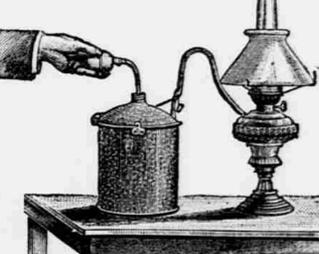
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