

IT PREYED ON HIS MIND

And H. H. Ackerman Took His Own Life.

Word was brought to the city, late Sunday night, that H. H. Ackerman, a farmer living about 13 miles southeast of the city, had shot and killed himself, Sunday afternoon, at about three o'clock. The circumstances leading up to the commission of this terrible deed are of unusual sadness and pathos. It appears that the deceased had a horse afflicted with the glanders. The diseased animal was being doctored by a hired man, a Swede whose name we have not been able to learn. The Swede contracted the disease from the horse and died on last Friday night. He was buried on the day following, together with everything thought to be contaminated. This sad death, and the fear that other persons or animals might become victims of the loathsome malady, doubtless so preyed on the unfortunate man's mind as to cause him to take his own life. It is one of the saddest tragedies in Red Willow county's history. The deceased is thought to have been in fair circumstances, having some money, we understand, in a McCook bank. It is stated that he was comparatively a recent settler. A wife and a brother are left to mourn his unhappy death. The remains were buried in a neighboring burial ground, Monday. The deceased was a young man, perhaps not much over 30 years of age. He formerly lived in Livingston county, Illinois. He moved to Gerver precinct, this county, about a year ago.

Commissioners Ryan and Graham and County Attorney Dodge were at the Ackerman place, on last Friday, arranging for the nursing and keeping of the sick Swede, who died the same night.

The Afflicting Hand of Death.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert McMillen has been made desolate and cheerless, this week, by the destroying, pitiless hand of death. Little Hazel, aged four years, their only and beloved child, who has been afflicted with that ruthless slayer of the innocent—scarlet fever—for the past few weeks, succumbed to the fell disease about midnight Sunday, despite all efforts made for her succor. Services of a private and appropriate nature were conducted at the home on Tuesday morning, by Rev. H. S. MacAyeal of Cambridge. The joy and light of their home was afterwards mingled with tenderness and tears with Mother Earth in peaceful Longview. The great, loving heart of this entire community beats in tenderest sympathy with the bereaved and inconsolable young parents.

Profitable Farming.

C. H. Meeker gives us the following idea of the profits of scientific irrigation. This season his tenant on the farm south of the river irrigated a 4-acre truck garden patch. Cabbage, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, beans, peas, melons, etc., were planted. Already Mr. Meeker has received as his one-third interest in the sale of produce from the tract \$226.15, and he informs that there is enough unsold produce on the place to swell the gross receipts from those four acres to \$700. In addition there was a 47-acre patch of corn on his place, from which they have cribbed 3,000 bushels of corn. These are certainly very encouraging figures for the friends of irrigation.

Since the hired man of the Times-Democrat has proven (?) by all the gods, both great and small, that it is the only newspaper in McCook, perhaps the rest of us had as well move out. But then, it is just probable that the hired man has been effervescing through his tile. May be he is mistaken. THE TRIBUNE will remain just this one week in order to gain the benefit of the doubt. In the meantime we recommend that Pete secure the services of a doctor and his stomach pump and have some of that wind removed, or a little superfluous water let out of his dome of thought.

The Lutheran church was crowded on Monday night to hear Rev. M. A. Hampton of Lincoln deliver his lecture on the subject, "The Marriage Ceremony." It is universally conceded by the many in attendance that the lecture was thoroughly excellent in subject matter and in the style of delivery. The gentleman has a lecture well worth a hearing at any place he may visit.

Colonel Peterson is now looking for new worlds to conquer. Having in his fruitful imagination placed the temporal and political affairs of Red Willow county at his feet, he now rushes in where angels fear to tread, and undertakes to dictate in local religious affairs. But Pete will discover, before the completion of his last contract, that his Pegasus has an abnormally large pair of ears.

The Methodist brethren held their first quarterly meeting, Monday evening. The report shows this quarter to be the best the church has ever had, twenty-three new members being added to the church, and everything else being in a gratifying condition.

Coupled with the rumors of the possible removal of city headquarters in the spring comes the old-timer that the post-office will be carted down Main avenue in the not distant future. Evidently there are some amusing and swift times ahead.

\$100.00 Story & Clark organ for \$60.00 cash. Used only two months. At SUTTON'S, The Leading Jeweler.

Say you saw it in THE TRIBUNE.

The influenza has laid McCook practically hors de combat.

The work of painting the new stand-pipe is finished. It's railroad red in color.

The Epworth league is practicing a pantomime which will be put on the boards at an early date.

The collection department of H. H. Berry's business is being looked after by Mike Reissick, just now.

The merchant after business will find it advantageous to plant his advertisement now for the Xmas harvest.

J. F. Helm's new barn is about complete. It is one of the finest in the county, commodious and convenient.

John Whittaker will shortly open up a blacksmith shop in the carpenter shop, corner of Dennison and Madison.

Quite a snowfall, Tuesday night, west of us, coming this way as far as Haigler, where there was a fall of about 2 inches.

We are prepared to receipt you on your subscription to THE TRIBUNE. Don't forget us when you have a dollar or two to spare.

Wise business men are selecting desirable locations early for their Christmas advertisements. The early bird secures the choicest spaces, always.

David Keithley is moving to McCook. We wish them good luck, and hate to lose them from among us.—Fandon correspondence Stockville Republican.

In order to reduce my stock of organs, I will until January first, close out this line at prices that defy competition.

H. P. SUTTON, Jeweler.

Word has been received from A. W. Corey to the effect that his father had died within a week of their arrival in California, having taken cold on the way over the range.

Colvin & Beggs have just recently closed the sale of the S. Knudson farm, the west half of the west half of 11-1-29, to Nathan Denny of Herman, Nebraska, for the sum of \$1,000.

Thompson & Co. moved into the A. O. U. W. building, Wednesday. They now occupy the west room on Dennison street, and have about as comfortable quarters as any one could desire.

Everett Moore of Red Willow, Billy Carroll and Evan Hardin bought a fine Poland China hog each at Frank Davis' sale at this place on last Saturday, says the Cambridge Kaleidoscope.

You can get a Story & Clark organ until January first at about your own price. Call at H. P. Sutton's, the jeweler. This make was given first prize at Chicago, Columbian Exposition 1893.

Bob Ingersoll says: "There was a time when I was not, after that I was, now I am, and it may be that it is no more wonderful that I shall continue forever, now that I have a start, than it was that I should be in."

Fowler Wilcox is having the Stewart building, just north of his present stand, fitted up in fine shape for his occupancy. He may not get into his new quarters until the first of the year, however, when his present lease expires.

This week George E. Thompson moved his entire stock of goods to the north room of the Phillips-Meeker building, and the south room is vacant for the present. By the by, there is a fine business opening for the right man.

When it comes to bright, catchy and timely advertising, the enterprising merchants of McCook, Nebraska, are strictly in it, as the columns of THE TRIBUNE of that city will demonstrate; and every one remarks that McCook is a good business town.—Nebraska Trade Journal.

Will Lawson has purchased the Frank Preston nursery farm on the south side. Mr. Preston and family will shortly leave for California, where they expect to make their future home. We wish him success in his venture. Mr. Lawson thus comes into possession of one of the finest little farms well tilled in the county.

Chief Seavey of Omaha wants the marshals and chiefs of police of towns of over 1,000 population to organize themselves into a state association for the purpose of better fighting the criminals of Nebraska. He has called a meeting of these officers to be held in Omaha, Dec. 13th for this purpose. Over a hundred Nebraska towns are embraced in the call.

Street Commissioner Spetts and his assistant, C. P. Viland, have been looking over the flues in the business portion of the city, and reports finding some of them in a more or less unsafe condition. The season of high winds and cold weather—and consequently when stoves and heaters are run to the limit—is here and the danger from fire has correspondingly increased. Look well to your flues.

Postmaster Troth continues to lick stamps with neatness and dispatch notwithstanding the many patriotic democrats standing around with their tongues hanging out.

THE CHURCHES.

Episcopal services will be conducted in Trenton, next Sunday evening, by Rev. Durant.

Regular morning and evening services by Rev. D. L. McBride in the Lutheran church on next Sunday.

Rev. Potter of Kearney, who is held in high regard by the Episcopal folks here, is looked for on next Sunday.

The regular services of the Episcopal church, next Sunday, in the Masonic hall. Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

The ladies of the Baptist church are preparing to give a World's Fair social, December 12th. The place will be given later.

Rev. E. L. Ely of Red Cloud will preach in the Congregational church on next Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. All are invited.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held this year in the Lutheran church, next Thursday morning, November 30th. Rev. Frank Durant of the Episcopal church will deliver the sermon. It is expected to commence services a half hour earlier than usual, at 10:30 o'clock.

Usual services in the Methodist church on next Sunday. In the morning Rev. Coffman will preach a sermon to church members. In the evening he will address himself to the young people. Epworth and Junior leagues will meet at the usual hours. A general invitation is extended to these services.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR—Thanksgiving service. Howard Finit, leader. Scripture topic, Psalms 68:19, 92:1-5. Sunday evening at 6:30 in the Lutheran church. Everyone, young and old, are cordially invited to this service. Come out and imbibe some of the enthusiasm of young Christians; it's catching. The members of the social committee at the door will welcome you.

Epworth League Entertainment.

On Tuesday evening next, at the M. E. church, the Epworth League will give an entertainment, the proceeds of which are to be applied in reducing the church debt. The following is the programme:

- PART I.
Music.....A. O. U. W. Band.
Song.....By Glee Club.
"The Inventor's Wife,".....Roy Smith.
Pantomime....."Courtship under Difficulties."
Mr. and Mrs. Sobriety, their daughter, Miss Filtration and her seven suitors.
No. 1, the school professor; 2, the orator; 3, the gentleman; 4, singing master; 5, the farmer boy; 6, a quack doctor; 7, the duke.
Music.....A. O. U. W. Band.
Tableau.....
PART II.
Music—Flute and Organ.....
.....Roy Smith and Hattie Yarger.
Widow Bedot's.....Mabel Wilcox.
Song.....Glee Club.
The County Assessor. Mr. and Mrs. Taxshirk, Bab and Sarry Jane Taxshirk and the assessor.
Song.....Glee Club.
Music.....A. O. U. W. Band.
Tableau.....
The exercises will commence promptly at 7:30 o'clock. A general admission of 25 cents will be charged.

The Regular Grist.

The city council session, Wednesday night, was attended by Mayor Brewer, Clerk Warren, Attorney Rittenhouse, Councilman Spickelmier, McAdams, Yarger and Steinmetz.

- Following bills were allowed:
Times-Democrat.....\$ 5.25
A. J. Rittenhouse.....15.00
S. M. Cochran & Co.....1.00
W. C. Bullard & Co.....48.75
J. A. Brewer.....6.00
A duplicate warrant was ordered issued to R. M. Williams in place of warrant 22, dated July 8th, 1887, less \$15.

Clerk instructed to notify the night policeman and the street commissioner that their services are dispensed with after this date. Adjourned.

Shrinkage in Grain.

An observing farmer has been talking about the shrinkage in grain. He says: "I notice that wheat will shrink two quarts to the bushel in six months from ordinary threshing under the most favorable circumstances, hence it follows that 64 cents the first of August, when threshed, is the same as 75 cents six months later—money worth 7 per cent. One hundred bushels of corn as it comes from the husk in November will measure only eighty when seasoned; thus 30 cents in November is the same as 40 cents in March." On corn the law takes loss in weight into account, and up to January 1, 75 pounds must be given for a bushel.

District Judge Welty has cancelled the December term of court, and none will be held until some time next spring. Why he did so we have not been informed, but it will be some disappointment to a good many people who have business before the court.—Hayes Centre Republican.

Frank Everist of McCook was in town on Saturday. While he was defeated for commissioner at the late election, yet he feels good over the election of the balance of the county ticket and the cheering news of republican gains everywhere.—Cambridge Kaleidoscope.

Tom Ritchie, who lives northeast of the city, is bedfast with an attack of pneumonia.

Grandma Fleischman is ill with a severe attack of neuralgia.

PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

Rev. WILLIAM GILL of Indianola was a city visitor, Wednesday.

W. S. CORNUTT and wife were Sunday visitors of the valley's pride.

SAM STOCKTON and George Short were up from Indianola, Tuesday.

COLONEL SELBY of Cambridge, was a city visitor, Tuesday evening.

F. H. SPEARMAN will be home from his protracted absence in the east, Sunday.

MRS. FAULKNER of Hastings, is in the city, guest of her sister, Mrs. A. J. Clute.

MRS. MARY A. BROWN and daughter of Red Willow have moved to the city for the winter.

J. S. LEHEW, we understand, contemplates spending the winter in Oklahoma, practicing land law.

MRS. N. L. CRONKHITE was up from Hastings, middle of the week, on matters of business moment.

M. W. NESMITH and son of Calvert, Dundy county, were Commercial house guests, Monday evening.

WILL EGAN departed for McCool Junction, York county, Wednesday night, to spend the winter at home.

L. H. BLACKLEDGE was down from Culbertson, Friday and Monday evenings, on business of the law.

MR. AND MRS. WILL L. YETTER of Hastings, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Burnett, since Wednesday night.

CHARLIE NORTHRUP arrived in the city from Chicago, the close of last week, and is the guest of his sister, Mrs. C. H. Boyle.

GEORGE HOCKNELL writes from Hot Springs that he is getting along nicely, and expects to be home some time next week.

MRS. T. B. STUTZMAN came up from Davenport, Nebraska, Tuesday night, to be with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harris in their bereavement.

REV. M. A. HAMPTON of Lincoln filled the Baptist pulpit, both morning and evening, Sunday, delivering excellent sermons to good audiences.

Mrs. HENRIETTA FOWLER departed, Thursday morning, for Englewood, Ill. She took with her the remains of her husband, which will be finally interred at Englewood.

J. B. ROWLEY, insurance inspector for the state of Nebraska of the underwriters, was here from Omaha, Wednesday, to make an insurance rate on the A. O. U. W. temple building.

MRS. H. S. MACAYEAL and sister, Miss Fannie Robertson, came up from Cambridge, Wednesday night, and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Babcock until this morning.

C. B. ROWELL left, yesterday morning, on a visit of a month or longer in Hastings, this state, and Afton and Leon, Ia. This is his first visit to Iowa since leaving there, eleven years ago.

J. H. EASTERDAY came in from Tacoma, Washington, last Saturday night, on a short visit to Nebraska relatives and friends. He left on Tuesday night for Omaha, from whence he returns to Washington, where he has built up a nice law practice.

H. W. SCOTT and wife, J. E. Nelson and wife, W. F. Dobbins, Miss Richardson, John Updike, John R. Kleppinger, Miss Adamson, Miss Burton, Ed Norris and Miss Nellie Scherr, all of Holdrege, participated in the masquerade ball in the opera house, Tuesday night.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK HARRIS were called upon this week to drink deeply at the fountain of sorrow and bereavement, in the death, Tuesday afternoon, of one of their infant twin daughters. The remains of the little one were lovingly laid away in Longview, Wednesday morning, after a brief and touching service at the residence by Rev. McBride. All hearts are touched in sympathy with their sorrow.

The masquerade ball in the opera house, Tuesday night, is described as a pronounced success in every particular. There were between forty and fifty persons present from home and Holdrege en masse, besides many who were merely spectators of the amusement. There were quite a number of handsome costumes and no end of the comical. Prof. Reizenstein made merry the dancers' hearts and light their feet. There were "dead loads" of fun, and a very enjoyable time throughout. But, oh, what a difference in the morning, "after the ball was over."

Miss Julia Vineyard's art opening in room No. 3 at the Commercial hotel, yesterday and to-day, was well attended, encouragingly patronized, and withal a fairly gratifying success. Many meritorious articles in painting, drawn work, etc., were exhibited and the sale of quite a number effected, besides the receipt of orders for future delivery.

The finishing touches have about all been added to the new standpipe, the difficulties corrected, and water will in a day or two be pumped into the same. It is a highly creditable addition to McCook's water system.

MIKE WALSH came over from Holyoke last night.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The teachers will entertain their guests of the Red Willow county educational association at the hotels, tomorrow.

Lantern class exercises for the third, fourth and fifth grades were held in the east ward assembly, Wednesday evening.

State Superintendent Goudy is expected to be in McCook, December 8th, to visit one of Nebraska's model public schools.

The school library, which was recently quite largely increased, now occupies quarters of its own in the north hall of the high school.

A neatly type-written copy has been made of the list of books in the school library, and hangs against the wall convenient for reference.

The South McCook school house has been partitioned off into two rooms to better accommodate the 80 or 90 pupils that attend that school from that part of the city.

A few changes in the disposition of the teacher corps went into effect, Monday: Mr. Yont from west ward to east ward. Mr. Fowler from east ward to South McCook. Mr. Whittaker from South McCook to west ward.

The Red Willow county educational association will hold two interesting sessions in our city, tomorrow. Go up to the east ward building and enjoy them. The meeting will conclude with a public entertainment of an interesting character in the evening.

The Independent Enterprise, perhaps unwittingly, fell into error, last week, in its reference to the Electric Light Company's franchise. The company holds a franchise for twenty-one years, instead of for five years. However, the city's contract with the company for street lighting, we believe, does expire sometime next spring. Also the city's lease of the hall in rear of the First National bank for jail, fire and general municipal purposes. And doubtless these and other stirring elements will conspire to make the coming spring election what Colonel Mitchell of the Courier would be happy to tag as a "campaign of education."

The following poetic appeal won for its author, the editor of the Rocky Mountain Celt, the prize of \$1,000 offered for the best appeal poem to subscribers to pay up their subscriptions: "Lives of poor men often remind us honest men won't stand no chance; the more we work there grows behind us bigger patches on our pants. On our pants, once new and glossy, now are stripes of different hue, all because subscribers linger and don't pay up what is due. Then let us be up and doing; send in your mite, however small, or when the snow of winter strikes, we shall have no pants at all."

This week, C. W. Minnicar sold his barber shop and business to the Messrs. Smith of Holdrege and Zint of Bertrand. The new proprietors took possession on Thursday morning. Mr. Minnicar will shortly go to California. His sale and change of location being made imperative by the failing health of his wife.

An irate citizen registers a kick at this office, this week, against the practice of some thoughtless people of dumping red hot ashes into the alleys and streets, especially on windy days. It is a dangerous practice and should not be continued. Misfortune to someone is very liable to result.

The latest fad is a poverty sociable. Every woman must wear a calico dress, and every man his old clothes. In addition, each one is fined twenty-five cents if he or she does not have a patch on his or her clothing, and a prize is given to the one wearing the poorest garment.

Under the new order Viland will have to do the street sprinkling, dog killing, sidewalk and crossing repairing, etc., all alone, and McManigal both day and night police duty.

The South McCook children enjoyed a vacation, part of this week, while the alterations were made in that school building.

There are a number of cases of chicken pox in town, but no cases of small pox as was erroneously reported, first of the week.

Persons having sewing machines to tune will do well to consult Colonel Easterday, specialist, while it is yet to-day.

The free and unlimited coinage of snow would go a long way, at this juncture, to restore public confidence.

An engagement is open for a soprano, in the Episcopal church. Write Rev. Durant stating terms.

Prof. Yont of the high school now takes allopathic doses of exercise on a new high grade bicycle.

In the language of Colonel Merwin fly paper is being withdrawn from active circulation.

It made a very faint effort to snow here, Wednesday, but soon gave up the job in disgust.

We are still modestly "in the push." Please deposit it in your knowledge box.

Young America has been enjoying the ice since the latter part of last week.

Have You Ever Stopped to Think

That you are only getting half as much for your dollar when you are taking a weekly as you would if you were a subscriber to The Semi-Weekly Journal? It is a fact, however, because The Journal gives you two complete papers each week, with markets and telegraphic news, 104 papers a year, making it almost as good as a daily. Just now we are offering it to January 1, 1895, for One Dollar. It is the greatest Dollar paper in the west. It is both a national and state paper. The best editorials; the best condensed news; the best stories; the best special departments; the best of everything, all for \$1.00 a year. Our premium department is a hummer. Send for a sample copy of the paper and see for yourself. Here are a few of them: Handsomely bound copy of Dream Life, Reveries of a Bachelor, or Drummound's Addresses, and The Journal, \$1.25; Life of Spurgeon, U. S. History, Stanley in Africa, or Life of Harrison and Journal, \$1.40; Oxford Bible and Journal, \$2.75; Handy Cobbler and Journal, \$2.25; Nebraska Farmer and Journal, \$1.50; N. Y. Tribune and Journal, \$1.25; and a whole lot more. Write for sample copy. Address, NEBRASKA STATE JOURNAL, Lincoln, Neb.

Come Down, Judge.

The city dailies now reach McCook 24 hours after being printed. There is a good opening in McCook for a lively little daily now, and it wouldn't take much encouragement to induce us to go down there and start one.—Hayes Centre Republican.

Fine Printing.

We make a specialty of fine job printing. Oursamples of fashionable and elegant stationery for invitations, programs, etc., is not excelled in Nebraska.

The 700 banks in Nebraska have it in their power to set in motion the business wheels of this great commonwealth which have been clogged by the financial congestion. The sooner they cease hoarding money and return it to the channels of trade by re-depositing in the reserve cities of Omaha and Lincoln the better. With such crops and evidences of prosperity on all sides, country bankers should think over this suggestion and act promptly.—Nebraska Farmer.

A representative of the state underwriters association has been in the city, this week, and since the improvements about completed in McCook's fire protection, it is probable that the insurance rates may be reduced somewhat. Such a move is greatly to be desired as the rates are now quite burdensome. The new standpipe will largely increase the efficiency of our fire department.

Down in Adams county an effort is being made to have the money accumulated in the sinking funds of that county loaned out to individuals, instead of letting the money remain in the banks. This change is favored by some in the hope of receiving greater interest for the county. There are arguments for and against the proposition.

Upon the representation of his wife and son, Hiram Cooley of matrimonial fame, was taken before the board of insanity at Indianola, Monday, for examination. The board discharged him and he returned home, Tuesday night. Hiram is perhaps a little giddy on the question of marriage.

A married lady was heard to remark, yesterday, that she had to go home and sew on a democratic badge for her husband. On inquiry as what the badge was she replied, "a patch on the seat of his trousers," needed for sitting around looking for work.

"We have been told," says the Hastings Nebraskan, "that A. S. Campbell still has an eye on the McCook land office and that that is the only portion of his anatomy which will ever adorn that place."

If present and early indications are to be relied upon next spring's municipal election will be one of the most rapid in our somewhat stirring history.

An unusually severe attack of quinsy keeps Chris. Mahler abed, this week.

Prof. Reizenstein's daughter, Violet, is among the sick, this week.

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At the Bargains offered You at the

C. O. D. GROCERY.

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| 16 lbs granulated Sugar..... | \$1.00 |
| 1 sack, Our Best, high patent flour..... | 1.00 |
| 2 cans of Tomatoes..... | .25 |
| 1 can of Sugar Corn..... | .10 |
| 3 quarts of Cranberries..... | .25 |
| 1 pound best uncolored Japan Tea..... | .45 |
| 1 pound best Tea Siftings..... | .25 |
| 1 pound evaporated Raspberries..... | .29 |
| 1 pound evaporated Apricots..... | .19 |
| 1 pound evaporated Peaches..... | .16 |
| 6 pounds Sweet Potatoes..... | .25 |
| 1 lb. Sauer's Cream Baking Powder..... | .20 |
| 2 lbs. best Mocha and Java Coffee..... | .75 |
| 3 lbs. choice " " " "..... | 1.00 |
| 1 gallon Chocolate Cream Syrup..... | .45 |
| 1 gallon best New Orleans Molasses..... | .75 |
- J. W. MCKENNA, Proprietor.