

# The McCook Tribune.

THIRTEENTH YEAR.

McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 28, 1894.

NUMBER 32.

Engineer Sanborn made a run to St. Francis, this week.

An effort is being made to raise the Iowa freight rates.

Mrs. Felix Kennedy is visiting her mother, Mrs. M. E. Mullen.

Lay Tubbs and wife will occupy quarters over Lowman's store, about the first.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dixon came down from Denver, Saturday night, and spent Christmas with his parents.

Conductor and Mrs. L. C. Wolf went down to Lincoln, Monday morning on 2, to eat Christmas dinner with friends in the capital city.

Conductor E. B. Odell and the company have dissolved partnership. J. M. Morris has his run. The general doctor will be missed.

No. 2 was delayed a number of hours, Sunday morning, by a break-down west of Akron, and did not arrive at this station until about 10 o'clock.

Mrs. G. A. Noren and Miss Selma are expected home from Lincoln tonight. They have been spending a few days in Orleans with relatives. They will be home about a week.

A dastardly, but happily an unsuccessful attempt was made, Sunday afternoon, to wreck the fast mail train near Oreadopolis, by placing stones and ties on the track between the rails.

Mrs. C. A. Dixon's pocketbook was found, close of last week, in the rubbish in the rear of Knipple's grocery store, but some scamp enjoyed Xmas with its contents in money. The papers etc., however, were intact.

There seems to be something in the rumor that the Burlington contemplates extending its Billings, Montana, line. There is talk of buying the Anasconda branch. The Burlington will doubtless reach the coast in the near future, is the general opinion in railroad circles.

The resignation of President Perkins of the O system is again rumored, and the date is set for January first. Vice President Harris is named as his successor; Merrill is to be in Harris's shoes; Brown in Merrill's place, and so on. But the report is doubtless the same old chestnut we have been accustomed to hear annually about this season.

Engineer Sanborn and Miss Grace arrived from Warren, New Hampshire, Saturday night. Mrs. Sanborn came as far as Chicago, where she entered a hospital for treatment. She is, however, considerably improved. Miss Grace will visit here a short time after which she will spend a month or so on the farm near Haigler. Mr. Sanborn does not know at present just where he will be located.

Claim Agent and Mrs. E. Hanson became the parents of a little daughter, last Saturday morning. But the little one was too feeble for this earth, and on the following morning the tender plant was transplanted into the Heavenly Father's flower garden. The earthly remains were shipped, on Sunday night, to Bushnell, Illinois, Mrs. Hanson's old home, for interment. The bereaved parents have the deep sympathy of their many friends in this sorrow.

Mrs. George E. Leming and sister, Miss Sarah Knowles, were the objects of a farewell surprise, last Friday evening, at the home of Mrs. A. J. Chambers, which was participated in by a numerous company of lady friends and neighbors, and with games and refreshments a felicitous evening was quietly passed. The surprisers were: MESDAMES—C. A. Dixon, M. V. Starbuck, F. M. Kimmell, W. S. Morlan, E. H. Doan, A. J. Chambers, S. E. Callen, Ed. Beyers, C. E. Pope, J. R. Sircolomb, V. H. Holliday, R. B. Simmonds, Herman Pade, J. E. Robinson, J. A. Wilcox, Arthur Snyder, J. H. Ludwick, A. P. Welles, J. M. Henderson, C. B. Rowell, A. G. Foreman, H. Thompson, H. H. Berry, G. W. Connor, M. A. Northrup, S. E. McCarl, C. H. Boyle, W. A. Mitchell. MISSES—Addie Doan, Strong, Carrie Mitchell. Mrs. Leming and Miss Knowles spent Sunday with C. S. Quick and family at Indianola, thence going to Red Cloud, where they will remain two weeks, while the home in Sheridan, Wyoming, is being put in readiness for them. They have the best wishes of a large circle of friends in the Republican valley for their contentment and prosperity in their new home.

Hon. T. M. Marquette, head of the Burlington's law department in Nebraska, died of neuralgia of the heart, Friday last, in Tampa, Florida, whether he had just gone for his health. We clip from the Bee the following eulogy: "The announcement of the death of T. M. Marquette caused profound sorrow and regret among that steadily decreasing band of pioneers who laid the foundations of this commonwealth and converted it from a wilderness to one of the most prolific and populous states in the union. It may be truthfully asserted for the early settlers of Nebraska that they counted among their number as brainy, enterprising and public-spirited men as any section of this country could boast, or as can be found today among the younger generation of Nebraskans who have gained prominence and renown in the various walks of life. T. M. Marquette was intellectually the peer of any of Nebraska's most gifted pioneers. He was an eccentric genius, possessed of the courage of his convictions and always outspoken and frank in his views on public issues. In territorial days he was an acknowledged leader of the hosts of free soil and anti-slavery. He fought the early battles of the union republican party in convention and legislature, and would, no doubt, have been honored with the highest position within the gift of his kind.

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## MERRY CHRISTMAS.

The Season of Peace on Earth and Good Will to Men Generally Observed

BY THE CHURCHES.

Notwithstanding the "hard times" Christmas was generally observed by the churches of the city with the usual exercises, treats, gift-giving and so forth. These entertainments and their complements were greeted by crowded houses, and the gladness of Yule-tide seemed to pervade everything and everybody. Not only were these public functions well attended and merrily participated in, but in private life and the home circle were celebrated the memorable day by the giving and receiving of gifts and the destruction of Christmas turkeys and their appetizing concomitants—cranberry sauce, mince pie, etc., with a generous vigor quite independent of the prevailing stagnation and depression. In fact it has been in many respects one of the merriest seasons that McCook has ever had, the disposition being to make the best of everything and to present a bold front to adversity's sombre forces.

Though the public entertainments may have lacked some of the elaboration of other years, yet were they none the less successful and happiness-dispensing.

CONGREGATIONAL.

The Christmas demonstration by the Congregational Sunday school was held in the church, Monday evening. The edifice was well filled, and the simple exercises of the occasion were fully appreciated and enjoyed. The programme consisted of appropriate literary and musical numbers. But the Christmas tree and its attractive contents riveted the closest attention of the youth at least. Its evergreen boughs and branches bent under their load of sweetmeats and gifts of various kinds. Santa Claus was there, and his jolly, good-natured chuckle set the children wild with ecstasy. The genial, white-haired old saint with his assistants at once commenced the distribution of presents, candy, etc., and the children were all remembered by the school, teachers, parents or some one, while a number of the older ones were not forgotten. The entertainment and treat was a happy and successful affair.

THE BAPTIST CHRISTMAS CONCERT.

The Christmas concert, Sunday evening, in Temple hall, under the auspices of the Baptist Bible School, was a distinct success. The hall was filled almost to its capacity, a large number being compelled to stand. The music was under the control of Mrs. Utter, to whom all praise is due for its general excellent rendition, although less than two weeks were at her disposal for practice. Among the many charming musical recitals the solo by Miss Ellingwood Wilson deserves special and praiseworthy mention for the unusually fine technical skill displayed, and reflects great credit upon Mrs. Utter, under whom Miss Wilson has been studying for some months past.

SOUTH McCOOK SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Xmas eve entertainment by the South McCook Sunday school was held in the German Congregational church, which was crowded to overflowing. Beside the Christmas tree and its delightful contents, there was an interesting and appropriate program rendered by the children to the great happiness of all present. The Sunday school dispensed over \$30 in presents to the children of the school, and to the needy of that portion of the community eight or ten sack of flour, and other necessities of life. It was a very creditable celebration, crediting those in charge and delighting the audience and participants.

METHODIST.

The Methodist church was crowded, Xmas eve, by those anxious to witness the exercises provided for and to be rendered by the children of the Sunday school. The cantata given was a pleasing affair, and it was rendered in a merry ringing style, in keeping with the season. But Santa Claus and wife capped the climax when they arrived in their sleigh drawn by "reindeers." They dispensed gifts to all the children, whose cup of joy was thus made to run over. The poor children of the city were not missed in the kindly benevolent feeling that prevailed. The occasion was indeed one of good will and joy to all present.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Responsive to the universal rule of the Knights Templar the members of Saint John Commandery met in their castle at eleven o'clock, on Christmas day, and discharged the duty enjoined by the great order. This ceremony was observed at the same standard hour by the Templars of the universe.

CATHOLIC.

The greatest of all Christian holidays was observed at St. Patrick's by the usual solemn and impressive ceremonies of the church. Three masses were celebrated at stated hours, and special music of a superb character was rendered. The ceremonies were largely attended.

It is stated on good authority that at least 350 families in Red Willow county will have to have fuel and food, this winter, and in fact are now more or less in need of both.

J. R. Sircolomb came down from the Wyoming division, Saturday, to spend a few days with family, who will return with him.

The great Pennsylvania railroad employs 1,625 locomotives in its service of all kinds.

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## THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

AN EVENING WALK.

The sun has gone down, the after-glow is fading and the light falls dimly on my book. I am tired and weary. It is that hour of the day when the work seems finished; after the lamp is lighted begins the long day of lamp-light. But I do not want to stop so abruptly from this day to that; besides I am tired of the people in the book I have been with the past two hours: the never-ending strife and turmoil of life, the selfish motives of each in that pushing, jostling crowd, the sorrow and wickedness through it, which even my limited experience tells me is only too true, make me heart-sick, and I would forget it all.

I will lay aside my book and walk over the hills toward the sunset. Perhaps the fresh breeze will carry away the feeling of weariness and clear my weary little mind.

Yes, the air is fresh and pure and the hour calmly quiet. The grayish-white prairie looks peaceful in the soft light of evening.

I walk on listlessly for some time, but here in the ditch before me are some tall grasses, with soft, feathery heads. I like to have something in my hands, and I pick them. It would be pleasant to stay in this quiet spot, to live the easy life of the grasses and flowers and plants. Noting to do, I look at the blue sky, to follow the great sun in its journey, and watch the curious clouds as they come and go. And then to drink in the clear water as it comes dashing down, or to bend low before the strong north wind.

With the grasses in my hand, I walk on and on, up and down one little hill after another. The glow in the west has faded to a grayish light, and behind me it is dark. But I still go forward. I want to walk and I like to go toward the light.

And the thought comes to me that this desire for light is the motive that draws us onward and upward. A God-given tendency, and in our poor, feeble way we are walking toward the light.

I am getting too far from home. I will go to the top of yonder hill and rest before retracing my steps. Here at the summit I sit down. But, oh! how lonely it is! Not a sound breaks the stillness of night!

It is cold here, and I am utterly alone, between the earth and the sky. The stars have no companionship for me, the hills are but dim outlines, and the warm, rosy glow of sunset is nothing but a line of cold, dark clouds.

I hear faint and distant the chirp of a late bird, and I wish I could hold the soft, melodious sound that has, it makes me shiver. I had rather battle with enemies, face trouble and sorrow and wrong if need be, than feel this dreary want of life akin to mine.

I will go home at once. It will be a relief to follow the fortunes again of men and women who at least once were living, feeling beings. I can understand and sympathize with them.

The lights are twinkling down in the town with a hood-like, friendly look, and I begin to walk rapidly toward them.

A bank of clouds has risen in the north and a brisk, cold wind is blowing in sharp gusts that make me want to run. Here is the ditch again. No, I don't want to stay with the grasses and flowers now. They have their life and I have mine.

And now off to the south, in the valley, I see the evening train come gliding in. It's many lights sparkling and seeming to tell of the good cheer it is bringing to many. It bears dear, low, a low message eagerly awaited. Perhaps, a letter for me.

At last I am at my door, and I am glad, for I have much to do. There is my book to finish, lessons to prepare for tomorrow, and I must write a long letter home tonight.

A. A. HANLEIN.

CONSTITUTION OF THE ALUMNI SOCIETY OF THE McCOOK HIGH SCHOOL.

1. Name. This society shall be known as The Alumni Society of the McCook High School.

2. Purpose. The purpose of this society shall be, the fostering of fraternal relations among its members, and the maintenance among its graduates of an interest in their parent school.

3. Membership. No persons shall be eligible to membership in this society except those holding diplomas from the McCook High School. The superintendent of schools and the principal of the high school shall be ex officio members of the society.

4. Officers. (a) The officers of this society shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. (b) Term of Service. The term of service of all officers in this society shall be one year. (c) Election of Officers. All officers shall be elected by secret ballot, and such elections shall take place at the annual meeting in December. A majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election.

5. Meetings. This society shall hold an annual meeting on the evening of the first Saturday in December, and an annual reunion some time during the ten days immediately following commencement. During these ten days one evening shall be given up to a reception in honor of the graduating class of the year. The president may call a special meeting at any time it may be deemed necessary.

6. Committees. The president shall have power, by and with the advice and consent of the society, to appoint all committees.

7. Payment of Expenses. The expenses of this society shall be met by direct levy upon its members. Such levy to be equal in all cases.

8. Quorum. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of a majority of the resident members of the society.

9. Amendments. This constitution may be amended at any regular meeting by a vote of three-fourths of all the members present.

The high school foot ball team was again defeated, last Saturday afternoon, by the pick-ups, in a score of 6 to 4. The high school rush line was a little the heavier but the pick-ups were better runners. The high school eleven weighed in the aggregate 1,590 pounds and the pick-ups 1,572 pounds, so the teams were pretty evenly matched in avoirdupois.

The essay appearing in this department, this week, from Miss Hanlein's pen, will at once impress the reader with the fact of its uncommon merit.

The board of education decided to give the children of the public schools two weeks of a holiday vacation.

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## PEOPLE YOU KNOW

A. M. DREW is entertaining his mother and brother.

ED. WAGNER of Arapahoe spent a few days in the city, this week.

J. T. BULLARD was down from Palestine, Tuesday and Wednesday.

D. E. BOMGARDNER and family are preparing to move to Lincoln.

C. T. BEGGS and wife are visiting Stockville relatives, this week.

MISS EDNA MYSERVE is visiting her parents at Indianola during vacation.

MRS. WILL BROWN entertained her mother from Hastings, over Christmas.

MISS ANNA HOLLAND of Indianola, visited with McCook friends, Wednesday.

MISS JENNIE HOLLAND and Miss Beck were Indianola visitors of the metropolis, Saturday.

MRS. C. B. HOAG of Indianola is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. B. Gray, this week.

J. W. SCOTT and wife have moved up from Arapahoe. He thinks of farming the coming year.

MRS. FRANK CARRUTH and Louise came down from Denver, Saturday night, and spent a few days in the city.

MISS MARY WATSON left, on Saturday evening for her home in Grand Island to spend the Yule-tide with the home folks and friends.

MRS. TROTH, who has been here for a number of weeks, guest of her son H. H. Troth, departed for her home in Pennsylvania, yesterday morning.

MR. AND MRS. ED. ALLEN left for Tarkio, Missouri, on 2, Sunday morning, to spend the Christmas-tide with relatives and friends there and in St. Joe.

LARRY ROONEY is down in Oklahoma territory on a prospecting trip, figuring on some buildings contemplated down in some of the new towns springing up in the territory.

W. C. LA TOURETTE left, last Friday evening, for Marion, Indiana, to spend the holidays with his parents. We regret also to learn that he contemplates removing from our midst, and that his visit has also a business side to it.

AT THE CHURCHES.

Regular services at Methodist church on next Sunday.

Rev. H. L. Preston has been retained by the Congregationalists for another year. Such action was taken at the after-church meeting on Sunday morning last. We wish pastor and parishioners a prosperous year.

Regular services at the Congregational church, Sunday morning and evening. Morning subject, "A Heroic Religion." Evening subject, "Turning Over a New Leaf." Christian Endeavor meets at 6:45 p. m. Endeavor topic, "The Vine and the Branches." L'Roy Allen, leader.

Regular services in Temple hall, Sunday morning and evening, by Elder McBridge. The hour for the Sunday school has been changed to 3 p. m. The school will hold their second annual rally next Sunday afternoon. They hope to welcome many new members, especially among the older folks who are interested in thorough and systematic bible study. Their excellent outline bible studies will be given a larger use and the school graded and placed upon a more efficient basis. A hearty invitation given to all. Boys' brigade meets at 4 p. m., immediately after the bible school. Christian Endeavor at 6:45 p. m.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

The ladies of the King's Daughters will serve a charity supper in the south room of the Temple building on Main avenue, Monday evening, December 31, from 6 to 8 o'clock. They will also serve supper for the masqueraders from 10 o'clock until all are served. A splendid supper will be given for the small sum of 35 cents. Aid the cause of benevolence by your patronage. Tickets on sale at McConnell's.

The Eastern Star meeting, Wednesday evening, was an uncommonly pleasant one. The games were interesting. The lunch excellent. The attendance large, including a number of out-of-town members. Each one present received a neat souvenir of the occasion. The entertainers were Mesdames S. L. Green, J. A. Snyder, Cora Kelley, J. A. Wilcox, William Woodworth, M. Y. Starbuck, Messrs. Phil Simon, Joe Robb and Art Snyder.

D. L. McBride who is to represent the 66th representative district at the coming session, is a farmer, an independent, and has a reputation of being one of the most forceful speakers in his part of the state. He will represent Frontier and Gosper counties, and his post office address is Quick—Omaha, Neb.

There will be a special meeting of the King's Daughters at the home of Mrs. H. H. Troth, this (Friday) evening. A large attendance is earnestly requested and a good time assured. By order of Secretary.

Division headquarters are being established at Newcastle, with Superintendent Nutt in charge and four operators at the keys.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Babcock of Yuma, Colorado, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Babcock, part of the week.

E. E. Houchin's baby is in a precarious condition with an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. A. Campbell came home from Denver Monday night much improved in health.

A. L. Knowland and wife have moved into the Ed. Kane residence, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bullard went into Lincoln and Omaha, Wednesday night.

H. G. Terrill, a former McCook boy, is now a resident of Acambara, Mexico.

Ladies in costume free at the masquerade ball, Monday evening.

D. E. Bomgardner and family left for Lincoln, last night.

A charity concert, about February pay day is contemplated.

H. W. Guyton has two sick children.

Mrs. J. M. Huet is on the sick list.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder Awarded Gold Medal Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.

Consult Holmes Bros., the carpenters.

Merchants report a fair Xmas trade.

Everybody needs it—McConnell's Fragrant Lotion.

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Dr. Gunn has taken quarters upstairs over the Farmers and Merchants bank.

The government should make it easy for the people to do good and hard to do evil.

Quite a number of our Russian population went down to Lincoln, Saturday night.

Help make the publisher's new year more prosperous by paying up your subscription.

Snowflake flour at 75 cents a sack. In 500 pound lots, \$1.40 per hundred, at Knipple's.

The women did less talking in McCook last Friday, than during any one day for a year.

Sutton is selling jewelry at cost. You can secure matchless bargains from him for the next thirty days.

Plain and fancy queensware for everybody at Noble's. See his assortment; it is unequalled in the valley.

Abstracts of title will be furnished promptly and accurate by C. T. BEGGS.

THE TRIBUNE'S old habit of leading for McCook as McCook leads for the valley still clings to it. Only \$1.50 a year.

Remember everything goes at cost for the next thirty days at Sutton's jewelry store. His stock is unequalled in the Republican valley.

A needy widow lady lost a \$5 bill, last Friday, between the stores of Wilcox & Son and C. L. DeGroff & Co. Will the finder please return to this office.

We understand that C. Armstrong expects to open his establishment in the south room of the Temple building on Main avenue about January 10th.

The invitation masquerade ball, New Year eve, promises to be a grand success. Sale of tickets is already quite large, and the matter of costumes is now absorbing the attention of many.

Compare THE TRIBUNE of last week, or of any other week for all that, with the other county papers, and then come and do your whole duty, deposit \$1.50 with the publisher and read it first hand.

DeGroff's print sale, Monday morning, was an overwhelming success. The store was crowded during the hours advertised, and at noon the doors of the establishment had to be closed, so great was the rush.

Noble's stock of queensware is admitted to be the finest in the Republican valley, and then, too, the prices are so reasonable that you just can't resist buying when you see the display and learn the figures.

The Christmas displays at the meat markets was quite metropolitan, that made by Filcraft & Hennings of the B. & M. market being especially attractive and pretty, with no end to variety or quantity of good cheer on the hooks, blocks, trees, etc.

McCOOK, NEB., Dec. 10, 1894.

L. W. McConnell & Co., City.

Gentlemen—I have had a cough for about 16 years, and have tried all of the popular remedies without being benefited. I used one bottle of McConnell's Balsam and my cough is gone. I therefore cheerfully testify to its merits.

Yours truly,

LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY.

411 Main Avenue.

The county commissioners are contemplating the matter of instituting legal proceedings to recover interest on county deposits alleged to be due the county from funds held by the banks. A number of counties in the state have already taken steps to test this question in the courts, so the outcome will be awaited with considerable interest, as the amount at stake will be quite large in the aggregate.

One of the Self-Made Men.

John Jay Lamborn, who is to represent the people of Red Willow county in the lower house, is one of Nebraska's self-made men and he is proud of it. He is an Ohio man and his friends claim that if the fact had been generally known his majority would have been much larger. He was born in Knox county, in the Buckeye state, March 21, 1853. His father's family moved to Mohaska county in 1858, and the year following young Lamborn was left an orphan. His mother was left in the poorest circumstances, with several children to support. As a boy Mr. Lamborn assisted his mother by working on neighboring farms, and consequently obtained but a meager education. He has always been a hard student, however, and has more than made up for the schooling he lost in his younger days. In 1880 he moved to Red Willow county, in this state. Commencing his western life as a carpenter, he afterward entered the Red Willow county bank as assistant cashier. In 1883 he became cashier, and this position he retained until two years ago, when ill health compelled him to relinquish it. Since that time he has been managing a large loan and land business built up by his bank. He has always been a strong republican, but has never held an official position higher than city councilman.—Omaha Bee.

## The City's Finances.

From the report published in the Times-Democrat, last week, in extenso, we gather the following summary or recapitulation of the city's financial condition. The figures are sworn to by City Treasurer Gray, and the totals are as follows:

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts, transfers, etc. .... \$ 1,846.52

Warrants drawn ..... 1,704.52

Balance on hand ..... 142.00

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUND.

Received from county treas. .... \$ 112.80

FIREMEN'S FUND.

Balance from city treasurer. .... \$ 65.02

WATER FUND.

Receipts ..... \$ 1,121.46

Disbursements ..... 820.43

Balance on hand ..... 301.03

CEMETERY FUND.

Receipts ..... \$ 1,070.59

Disbursements, transfers, etc. .... 849.60

Balance on hand ..... 85.99