

# The McCook Tribune.

THIRTEENTH YEAR.

McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, MAR. 8, 1895.

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## Did Not Pan Out.

A meeting of representative citizens was held in the office of C. F. Babcock, last Friday evening, to take some action on the seed proposition made by the Chicago board of trade. After going over the pros and cons of the situation, it was decided to send H. H. Easterday to Chicago to perfect arrangements for securing a share of the offered seed for Red Willow county. Horace took the next morning's train for Chicago, and in our unsophisticated imagination we saw whole train loads of seed rolling into this county in a few days. But it was all a figment of the imagination. It was found that less than \$15,000 had been raised by members of the Chicago board of trade for the herculean task of seeding large portions of three states. Not a drop in the bucket was in sight or even in prospect, and Horace came home in the night time, Tuesday. So that the board of trade proposition seems to be a complete fiasco, and the seed question is wider open than ever before. And the perfect wisdom of defeating the bond proposition is by no means proven. It were better to borrow than to beg—when you can borrow.

## The Riverside Dairy.

Leon Clark is now perfecting arrangements to resume the business of the old Riverside dairy at the old stand, and on Wednesday of next week he will be on the route prepared to furnish his old customers, and as many new customers as may desire, a first-class quality of milk or cream. Promptness, courtesy and quality are his motto. He respectfully solicits a share of your patronage.

## A Surprise Party.

Supt. and Mrs. A. Campbell's commodious home was the scene of an elaborate surprise party, Wednesday evening, in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Z. L. Kay. There were about thirty couples present. Card games and refreshments provided the evening's entertainment. The doctor and wife were the recipients of a number of elegant presents from their numerous admiring friends.

## The Council's Work.

A Congregational church council composed of Revs. Ricker of Alma, Preston of McCook, Bross of Lincoln, Stewart of Aurora, Mitchell of Franklin, met at Cambridge on Tuesday, and decided that the pleasant relations which have existed between Pastor MacAyeal and the Cambridge Congregational church for so many profitable years, should continue.

## Cane Seed Free.

Hugh W. Cole informs us that the Oyer Implement Co. of St. Louis, agrees to furnish every farmer who has lost a crop in 1894 enough cane seed to plant one acre. Farmers should at once make application to either C. M. Noble or M. A. Spalding, either of whom will give full particulars. But be prompt in calling. This is only a little. However, every little will be helpful in this extremity.

The serious aspect of the seed question has not in the least brightened, during the past week. In fact the outlook is darker than ever since the Chicago board of trade fiasco. We are still in a measure confronting the old question, where will the seed and feed come from? With some avenues of escape permanently closed.

The Timm Pahl family expects to leave for Germany soon on a visit. Mr. Pahl will not go, however. This intended visit has been delayed for some time by the fact that their tickets went down with the Elbe, some few weeks ago.

At Valentine the citizens have formed a stock association and will invest in \$5 shares to be used in buying grain for seed, and the association will take notes with personal security.

Cochran & Co. have in stock press drills, discs, endgate seeders, walking, sulky and gang plows, and in fact everything usually kept in a first-class implement house.

Charlie Holmes has been night-watchman while Howe Smith has been running the elevator for H. H. Easterday during the latter's absence in Chicago.

C. H. Boyle has purchased the Frank Carruth dwelling on the corner of Dearborn and Monroe streets, a farm figuring in the transaction.

The man who would reform McCook must show a cleaner and an older bill of health than the editor of the Weekly Blackguard.

The gold mining business is undergoing another boom.

McConnell's Balsam for coughs.

Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award.

## McConnell's Sarsaparilla.

McConnell's Balsam for coughs.

A nice variety of ink and pencil tablets at this office.

Take a bottle of McConnell's Sarsaparilla for a spring medicine.

The sprinkler made its initial spring appearance, yesterday afternoon.

Full line of agricultural implements for sale by S. M. Cochran & Co. Inspect before buying.

Now is the proper time to begin taking a spring medicine. McConnell's Sarsaparilla is the best thing to use.

Some handsome new box writing paper just received at our stationery department. Prices very reasonable.

A girl 12 to 14 years of age that proves congenial can find a good home with Mrs. Fred Carruth, two miles south of town.

The celebrated Charter Oak cooking stove with gauze oven door is sold by S. M. Cochran & Co. It is the best in the market.

A number of McCook people will go down to see "Colonel Sellers" presented at Indianola by local talent, tomorrow evening.

On account of the oil company advancing the price of oil, I am compelled to charge \$1.15 for gasoline in five gallon lots. H. THOMPSON.

Harris Bros., who have a line of elevators on the St. Francis branch, we understand, are furnishing seed to some farmers along that branch in limited quantities.

We observe that some Nebraska editors continue publishing the Irl R. Hicks' forecasts notwithstanding the fact that the forecasts are copy-righted, and the unauthorized publishers subject to fine.

A representative of the Ayer patent medicine concern made this city, last Friday. His efforts to secure choice advertising space at a song from the two reputable and responsible papers of the city were properly unsuccessful.

THE TRIBUNE does not object to municipal, moral or any other breed of reform. We are only moved to hilarity by the present foolish attempt to draw eau-de-Cologne from the fetid depths of skunkdom. Brethren, "it can't be did,"—without violence to natural laws, and production of an uncanny smell.

Miss Bertha Boyle has returned to McCook after completing the teachers' course on the piano at the Denver College of Oratory, Music and Art, and will now take charge of her former pupils. She will also be pleased to give instructions to any others who may wish her services. Any communication through the postoffice or otherwise, will receive prompt attention.

## RAIAROAD ITEMS.

Mrs. J. F. Forbes has entertained her mother Mrs. Henry Tomblin of Bartley, part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rice have been visiting at McCook and Hazard, Neb., for the past week. W. F. Donahue has lost one of his old friends; Sam Rogers has taken possession of the same for the purpose of starting some new kind of a lodge in McCook. Billy has gone.—Haigler News.

Somebody stole Conductor C. W. Bronson's grip and contents at Denver, on Wednesday morning, within a few minutes after No. 3 arrived in the city. His loss is not large in dollars, but some valuable private papers were among the articles taken, in addition to his punch, tickets, rebates etc. Charlie denies that they tried to work the gold brick or the country uncle dodge on him.

President Stickney of the Great Western railroad has commenced a novel campaign for promoting the business interests of his corporation. He has started out to interview personally the farmers from one end of his road to the other. His object is to impress upon them the importance of cultivating a smaller number acres and cultivating them well. Just now he is advocating the growing of potatoes along the road. Cases are mentioned where land worth but trifle has been made to pay a good interest on a valuation of \$50 per acre by the mere introduction of the cultivation of this crop. Farmers may be disappointed if they go into the potato culture very extensively all at once, but there is no doubt that prosperity will follow the consistent following of Mr. Stickney's advice to go into extensive farming, rotating crops and carefully watching the course of the markets.—Journal.

## A Narrow Escape.

While out riding, Wednesday afternoon, Conductor and Mrs. V. H. Solli-day had a narrow escape from serious injury in a runaway. Messrs. Solli-day and Will Beyrer were indulging in a little race over the smooth, level road leading from the railroad to the middle river bridge. Just as they approached the hill leading down to the bridge, the breeching strap to Mr. Solli-day's horse's harness became unsnapped, letting the buggy onto his heels. The animal commenced to kick vigorously and run like a white head. Mr. Solli-day and wife were both thrown out of the buggy, and Mrs. Solli-day was quite painfully shaken up, though no bones were broken. The horse continued his go-as-you-please as far south-west as Mr. Goheen's farm, where the runaway was captured. The buggy was but slightly damaged. But there is a juicy line of roast in store for Sol.

## Sacaline Pronounced a Fraud.

Bulletins on the flat pea and the giant knotweed or sacaline have been issued by the Agricultural department. "The greatest value of the flat pea," says one bulletin, "should be as a soil renovator. The plan has succeeded in the arid regions of South Africa, and may prove an efficient ally of farmers in similar regions in the southwestern states."

Caution is urged in the introduction of giant knotweed owing to its strong, spreading and persistent root locks. Investigations make by the department indicate that its success in the arid regions of the west is very doubtful.

## Horses and Asses.

The recent idiotic ravings of the hired man of the Weekly Blackguard recall a solemn passage which recently appeared in Sylvester Cordeal's bible—the New York Daily Sun: "There are horses and there are asses." We violate no confidence when we state that the hired man of the Weekly Blackguard is no horse.

## Republican Caucus.

A meeting of the Republicans will be held in the city hall, Wednesday evening, March 13th, 1895, for the purpose of placing in nomination a city ticket and such other business as may regularly come before the meeting.

## PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN.

### On Probation.

In the days of chivalry, a knight had to win his spurs; so the recent convert of the Weekly Blackguard will have to earn his assumed title of reformer, before the people of McCook will take seriously his splenetic nastiness.

## Enforced Sobriety.

It's amusing to read the "roastings" of the hired man, who now keeps sober because he hasn't the price, of men who drink and pay for their drinks.

The boys at the First National bank were somewhat amused and just a little startled, a few days since, on receiving a telegram from President Hocknell, from Los Angeles, California, inquiring as to their health. It seems that the president had not received any mail since his arrival there, mail sent to his hotel being returned here. The hotel clerk was evidently not able to read the president's beautiful "spencerian" signature.

It is estimated that it will take at least \$27,000 to seed Red Willow county. This estimate includes 20,000 bushels wheat, 12,000 bushels oats, 6,000 bushels corn, 2,000 bushels millet. This estimate is doubtless conservatively low.

## AT THE CHURCHES.

Usual services in the Methodist church, next Sunday morning and evening.

Regular meeting of the Degree of Honor will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall, Monday evening next, at 8 o'clock.

Remember the social in the Congregational church, by the ladies of the Dorcas society, next Tuesday evening. Good programme and refreshments. All for a dime.

Preaching morning and evening at the Congregational church. Morning topic, "The Great Division." Sermon followed by the reception of members and the Lord's supper. Endeavor society meets at 6:30, led by L. L. Dennis. The topic, "Everything for God."

## PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

SUPT. BAYSTON was up from Indianola, Monday, on aid business for the county.

SHERIFF AND MRS. BANKS and Mrs. W. O. Bond drove up from the county-seat, Tuesday.

C. L. DEGROFF arrived home, Sunday night, from the east, where he has been laying in an extensive line of spring and summer goods.

## PEOPLE YOU KNOW.

WILL HUBER has returned to the city.

O. FROST of Bartley was a Lincoln visitor, Tuesday of this week.

S. C. KING arrived home from his visit to Iowa, Monday night.

DRACON MORLAN meandered off to Lincoln, Monday night, to conference.

REV. C. A. WEBSTER of Danbury was a city visitor, last Friday and Saturday.

REGISTER AND MRS. A. S. CAMPBELL arrived home from Hastings, Sunday night.

C. H. PECK of Trenton, of irrigation and bank fame, sojourned briefly with us, last Friday.

I. J. GRUNDY expects to start overland for Oklahoma, this week, where he will farm this spring.

MRS. J. W. DOLAN was up from Indianola, yesterday, guest of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Burkett.

GEORGE E. JOHNSTON'S family expect to leave for Salt Lake City, Utah, Thursday of next week.

GEORGE HANLEIN arrived home, Sunday night, from an absence of a month or two in Emporia, Kansas.

DR. W. V. GAGE was in Lincoln on business, early portion of the week, returning home Tuesday night.

JUDGE H. H. BANSON has been engaged to deliver the Memorial day address at Indianola, this year.

MISSSES ONA SIMON and Della Johnston went down to Lincoln, this morning, on a brief visit to Miss Selma Noren.

MR. AND MRS. J. T. BULLARD sojourned in the city over night, Monday, on their way home to Palisade from Omaha.

T. E. McDONALD, the banker, and William Sandon, the merchant, were over from Danbury, Tuesday, on some business.

MESSRS. J. W. DOLAN, G. W. ROPER and William McCallum attended the seed and feed meeting here, last Friday evening.

MISSSES HATTIE AND EDNA YARGER will go down to Red Cloud, this evening, to be gone over Sunday, the guests of their brother Oscar.

J. H. YARGER went down to Lincoln, yesterday morning, as a delegate from the McCook lodge to the grand lodge meeting, K. O. T. M.

C. T. BREWER spent most of last week in Colorado on cattle business, visiting Brush, Ft. Morgan, Denver and elsewhere during his absence.

CHARLES STEWART of Easton, Penna., owner of the Stewart ranch, has been elected president of the Philadelphia & New England railroad.

PROF. CLAUDE SMITH has been visiting his parents at Arapahoe, since the latter part of last week. Recuperating, so an Arapahoe exchange puts it.

REV. T. F. STAUFFER of Lincoln who occupied the Congregational pulpit of our city, last summer one Sunday, is very ill, and but slight hopes of recovery are entertained.

ED. FLITCRAFT'S family and effects arrived from Fort Morgan, Colorado, Wednesday, and they have moved out to and occupied their old home, the old Luman N. Howe farm.

LER WALLACH moved in from Beatrice, Monday, and occupies a dwelling in the northeastern part of the city. He has a farm up in Coleman precinct, which he will farm this year.

MRS. G. W. CONNER entertained a large party of friends, Friday evening, at her home on Monroe street. Refreshments were served in the dining-room on a table handsomely decorated in green, in the center of which was a large block of ice hollowed out to hold bunches of pale green grapes. Ropes of smilax were drawn from the corners of the table forming a canopy held together in the center by green ribbon and grapes. Lotto was the game of the evening. Prizes were awarded, Mrs. J. E. Robinson winning the first prize, a basket of roses, and Miss Addie Doan the booby prize, a plaque, upon which was painted a flock of geese—very appropriate and pretty. The guests were: Mesdames J. E. Robinson, E. H. Doan, C. T. Brewer, S. B. Strasser, A. Campbell, C. E. Magner, W. C. LaTourrette, H. P. Sutton, Vina Wood, C. L. DeGross, C. W. Bronson, F. A. Pennell, J. W. Hupp, H. W. Cole, W. W. Archibald, A. J. Chambers, O. M. Knipple, W. S. Morlan, H. F. Pade, J. F. Ganschow, A. J. Clute, D. Magner, W. D. Burnett and Misses Margaret Evans, Addie Doan, and Josephine Roy of Falls City, Neb.

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Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder World's Fair Highest Award and Diploma.

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

## An Important Decision.

The assistant attorney general for the postoffice department has made an important ruling in regard to what are known as "newspaper laws," which may be of importance to many of our people here who are being constantly blackmailed by a local disreputable sheet of forced and gratuitous circulation.

"These so-called laws provide that subscribers to newspapers are liable for the price thereof unless they give express notice to discontinue, or when they give notice to discontinue without paying arrears, or refuse to take papers from the office, and that the publisher of a newspaper can have any one arrested for fraud who takes a paper and refuses to pay for it, and that it is a dangerous trick to allow a subscription account to run on for six months or a year and a half and then tell the postmaster to mark it refused or send the editor a notice to discontinue the paper.

The department has time and again informed parties making inquiry and the public generally that there are no such laws. The ruling now made, however, goes beyond this. It was to the effect that a publisher who makes a demand for payment of the subscription price of his paper through the mails, accompanied by a threat of enforcing such pretended laws in the case the demand is not complied with, may be prosecuted for attempt to obtain money under false pretenses, providing he knows that such so-called laws have no evidence as laws or decisions of the courts."

McConnell's Sarsaparilla.

Consult Holmes Bros., the carpenters.

Try McMillen's Damask Rose Lotion for face and hands.

Take a bottle of McConnell's Sarsaparilla for a spring medicine.

For Insurance on Farms and City property call on C. J. RVAN.

The street improvement gang is a reliable harbinging of an approaching city election.

David Kelliher this week moved from Indianola to the P. A. Wells' farm south of the city.

R. M. Osborn's little boy is improving from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

B. F. Troxel bought four head of horses from Sheriff Banks, this week, for shipment to the Philadelphia market.

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

The Chicago board of trade has ignominiously flunked in the seed proposition. Don't depend upon that source for anything, and you will not then be disappointed.

They are down over 200 feet with the well at the pump house, and for the past 50 feet or more have been striking strong smelling indications of oil or gas, while going through what is called the soap stone formation. Well, a gas well will do if you can't tap the artesian flow.

An adjuster of the Farmers and Merchants Insurance Co. of Lincoln, was here on Wednesday, but Dr. Kay was unable to settle with him on the loss on household goods. If payment is not made in due time the doctor will promptly bring suit.

At the home of Mr. Andrew Carson in Perry precinct, in the presence of a number of the invited guests, at eight o'clock on the evening of March 6th, H. H. Berry performed the ceremony that made Mr. Thomas O. Battreall and Miss Mary K. Schneider husband and wife.

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## The Deadly Slingshot.

Last Saturday afternoon, while at play with a party of comrades, George Pahl, the ten-year old son of Timm Pahl, was shot in the right eye by one of his playmates, Norman Campbell, and severely injured—there is some doubt yet whether or not the lad will regain the use of the member. This accident, we understand, resulted from a banter given by the injured boy, and the serious result is deeply deplored by all concerned. However, it should serve as a warning to the boys of the city to destroy those dangerous playthings, and in the event of failure to promptly do so, the authorities should confiscate the slingshots and make an example of those who persist in using them. These slingshots are not only damaging to property as there are numerous evidences all over the city, but they are a menace to life even, as the recent unfortunate accident sadly proves.

## Are Scrapping for the Pension.

The several wives of the suicide, John A. Walters, are now striving to get hold of his \$12 a month pension. His Pennsylvania wife says that he deserted her twelve years ago, and then returned last November saying he had married several other women, but that as he had never been divorced she would have the pension. The Nebraska wife has his discharge papers, having been given them with the assurance that she was to have the pension. She, however, married Walters last year and does not come under the law. Another Mrs. Walters is supposed to have married him before 1890, the legal limit, and might get the pension if Walters was ever divorced from his first wife.—Journal.

## Died in the Sand Hills.

The remains of Mrs. Ed. Rothermel, who died in the sand hills, about two weeks since, were on last Friday afternoon buried in the cemetery at Zion Hill church, up in Coleman precinct. The services were conducted in the Rothermel home by the Methodist pastor from Culbertson. The bereaved husband and family have the deep sympathy of all that community.

## We Have Them.

We have contracted this week the John Heim creamery butter. If you appreciate quality try it. Only 20 cents per pound.

We are offering a bargain in Bread Knives and Toilet Soap with Baking Powder.

We still continue to give away those elegant dinner pails with each 10 pounds of lard purchased.

Received this week a fine line of men's shoes suitable for heavy railroad work. Try a pair.

Farmers plant the new fodder plant this spring. Superior to alfalfa. Call and examine the seed.

McCOOK MERCANTILE CO.

## For Rent.

The Johnston farm, one and one-half miles from town. Good implements, pasture, with 160 or 250 acres in cultivation. Good chance for the right man. C. H. BOYLE.

## Good Summer Pasture

May be secured on the Stewart ranch at 50c a month for horses and 30c a month for cattle. Call on or address JAMES A. RESH.

## Irrigated Land for Rent.

Fine irrigated land for garden. Call on or address, J. A. GOVERN, McCook, Neb.

## We Burn Wood

When we can get it. If your subscription is delinquent and you have the wood bring us in a load or two.

## For Sale or Lease.

The butcher shop and tools on West Dennison street. Inquire of S. M. Cochran & Co., or of PERRY STONE.

## House for Sale.

\$500.00 will buy a comfortable dwelling house on the hill. Inquire at this office.

W. H. Campbell, of Fritch precinct made a trade with J. F. Miller, Saturday, thereby becoming owner of a farm three miles northwest of Box Elder postoffice.—Indianola Courier.

Charles Benjamin and Miss Barbara Colling, both of Indianola, Red Willow county, secured a marriage license, yesterday.—Hastings special to Wednesday's State Journal.

On account of lack of business, the gambling house has closed temporarily.

There is plenty of politics under the surface, my countrymen.

Good writing paper ten cents a quire at this office.

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