

ASH CREEK.

J. H. Warfield will farm the old Wright place. There is to be a party at I. E. Neel's, Saturday night. Mrs. Pete Colling visited Mrs. W. D. Williams, Tuesday. Laura and Herman Neuman visited friends near Culbertson, last week. Tressia Uerling left, last Saturday, to stay a couple of weeks with Mrs. Mary Wilson. Mrs. Slagle of South McCook visited several days last week, with Mrs. Henry Schamel. Miss Lulu Beardslee and Mr. William Dolan of Indianola visited the Ash creek school, last Friday afternoon. L. B. Korus of Indianola was out on Ash creek, last Friday, and took the teacher, Miss Happersett, home. W. D. Williams and wife called on Henry Schamel and wife, last Friday, as did Mrs. Wil Uerling and Miss Tressia Uerling. Dan Korb left McCook on No. 3, Sunday evening, for the state of Washington where he expects to work on a steamboat on the Columbia river. Hattie Burns has quit school at Indianola and is attending at Ash creek. She is taking medical treatment for catarrh from the specialist with Dr. Gage. A little son of Rudolph Peduski was hooked in the eye, last Monday, by a heifer. He was taken to McCook on Tuesday for treatment from the specialist. His eye is in a very critical condition, and he may lose the eye-ball, as we learn that it is now hanging out from the socket. Gilmore vs. Mitchell. The local land officials were engaged in hearing the contest case of Gilmore versus Mitchell, Tuesday and Wednesday, involving a homestead in Frontier county. Quite a number of witnesses were examined, on both sides, and the case was taken under advisement. Soothing for burns, scalds, chapped hands and lips. Healing for cuts and sores. Instant relief for piles, stops pain at once. These are the virtues of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. McMullen.

RED WILLOW.

Charlie Baker is home. Rev. Jacob Long preached at Red Willow, Sunday. Benj. Baker, Mr. Penney and William Byfield have each filled their dugouts with ice. William Myers and Horace Taylor have also laid in a supply. A good many loads of corn are being deposited in Benj. Baker's granary. J. F. Helm and William Byfield are also purchasing corn in spite of the fact that they have good crops of corn of their own. There was a joint meeting of the Y.P.S.C.E. on Sunday at the Christian church, then the members of this society repaired to Indianola and a joint meeting was held there. The occasion was an anniversary of the society. T. K. Quigley's little son got quite severely hurt as he stepped from the wagon, last Sunday. Instead of putting his foot on the platform, he put it between the platform and the wagon. His fall hurt his face and they were compelled to leave Sunday school and take the little lad home in an almost fainting condition. He is mending fast, we learn. Minutes seem like hours when a life is at stake. Croup gives no time to send for a doctor, delay may mean death. One Minute Cough Cure gives instant relief and insures recovery. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. A. McMullen.

A LONG INSIDE PASSAGE.

Navigating the Ocean Among Thousands of Islands. Whatever may be said—and much can be—of the beauties of the Alaskan coast, it is not inviting to the seafaring man, and especially the master who is taking a ship by the inside route from Puget sound to Sitka or Juneau for the first time, a feat, so it is claimed, impossible of accomplishment by a continuous voyage save through the assistance of a good pilot. This passageway—formed by the mainland coasts of British Columbia and Alaska and a chain of islands ranging in length from 5 to 250 miles—is from 100 yards to several miles in width. The channels proper are of unusual depth. In places from 300 to 400 fathoms of water are frequently found. From the smooth, glassy surface ledges and reefs, assassins of the sea, lurk, ready to send some ship, humanity laden, to the bottom. In these waters the lead is supplanted by whistle echoes from the land, this being the only method during a fog by which the captain or pilot guides his vessel along a safe way. Old sea captains say there is no water course in the world where in unfavorable weather such skill is required as to guide a ship via the channels on a voyage from the sound and return, the round trip to Sitka being more than half the distance of the voyage across the Atlantic. The Pacific Coast Steamship company's vessels running to Alaska are always manned with two pilots each in the winter and spring and are never without one pilot. With at least two of this company's vessels now running to Alaska the captains themselves served an apprenticeship of many years at piloting. The outside passage, the one by the open ocean, is seldom used, on account of the unfavorable winds which prevail for a distance of over 50 miles out to sea, rendering a vessel's progress much slower, to say nothing of the danger of ships being caught in a gale and driven ashore. With the danger from wreck almost eliminated by the employment of professional pilots, the inside passage is rendered a most delightful voyage, as it abounds in beautiful scenery and is free from winds.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

DACOITS OF BURMA.

ALTHOUGH SOMEWHAT CHANGED THEY STILL EXIST TO PLUNDER. Authorities Are Unable to Stop the Thieving and Do Not Often Capture One of the Dacoits—A Sample Case of the Inefficiency of the Police Officers. Burma is one of the countries that are changing very fast, and one of the things that have changed in Burma is the dacoit. The sportive gentlemen described by Rudyard Kipling and others who crucified villagers wholesale and filled old ladies with kerosene were flourishing in full vigor less than ten years ago, but they already belong as completely to the past as Dick Turpin and his colleagues in England. No doubt a fresh war or any event seriously shaking the British power or reputation might produce a recrudescence of the old disease, but in the meantime the dacoits have entirely changed their habits. Instead of living together in bands in the jungle they are scattered through separate villages in the guise of peaceful cultivators. During the day each man attends to his paddy fields just like his neighbors, and it is only at night that they meet together for the dispatch of their more important and lucrative business. Dacoity as defined by law is simply robbery committed by a band of five men or more, and it is important only because of the Burman's strong natural propensity toward it and the great difficulties which his national character places in the way of its detection. It must always be remembered that, Burma being in a transition stage and much less settled than India and the government being extremely short handed, an immense amount of various kinds of work falls upon each single English official. Hence it is wholly impossible for him to exercise any close or detailed supervision over any particular part of his district. This of itself renders the detection of criminals a difficult matter. When the dacoits were in the woods, it was simply a case of turning out occasionally to hunt them down. At present the matter must necessarily be left chiefly in the hands of natives. Now, the natives are for the most part honest and tolerably law abiding, and they have no sympathy whatever with a man who goes dacoiting, but the dacoit goes armed, and the sumpiness and cowardice of the Burman in the presence of arms, more particularly of firearms, are something almost incomprehensible to the western mind. It is quite sufficient for a party of half a dozen men to have a gun among them—effective or useless, loaded or empty, matters little, the mere show is enough—and they may go fearlessly to work in the midst of a crowd. No one will interfere with them. In more than one instance bold robbers have made successful attacks when armed merely with their dabs—the dagger which every Burman carries—and with a pretended rifle made of a stick, with which they frightened off all opposition. But perhaps the strange workings of the native character are best exhibited in the following case, which occurred quite recently. The facts are vouched for by an English officer: There was a band of five men who were in the habit of practicing dacoity occasionally. Three of them came from the same village—not a common thing, as it makes detection easier—the fourth from another village, and, as for the fifth, no man knows whence he came, for reasons that will appear. One night these five men, armed with nothing but their knives and spears, which are used for fishing in lower Burma, entered a house, tied up the owner and began plundering. Now, this house was in a large village, containing not only a population of some 1,400, but a police post with 15 native policemen armed with sniders. The alarm was given and the house surrounded, and then there was a pause. The robbers continued their work undisturbed within. The villagers, some 200 or 300 able-bodied men, all more or less armed, sat around on the dam which surrounds and protects every house on the delta, looked down on the house and discussed the question. The police stood rather nearer the house and fired shots into it through the bamboo walls, hurting no one. One solitary policeman after a time volunteered to advance. He crept up quite close to the house and fired in through an opening in the wall. Then he went farther and actually put his head and part of his body through the hole, apparently to see what execution he had done. One of the robbers promptly pinned him to the ground with a fish spear and killed him. By this time they had completed their preparations; so they sallied forth, each man with his pack of plunder on his back. Though the house was surrounded, they appear to have had no difficulty in making their way through, only the police fired after them with buckshot and hit three of them in the back, not seriously wounding them. But one of the band had the misfortune to stumble and fall. Instantly the crowd rushed upon him, and before he could rise literally hacked him to pieces, and so effectively that not the slightest claw to his identity remained. He was absolutely destroyed. No one knows even what was his nationality. The other four got clear away.—Public Opinion.

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PROSPECT PARK.

J. H. Wade had the ill luck to lose a fine calf, last week.

Eugene Dunham took a load of stovewood to the city, Monday.

Miss Essie Dunham spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. J. H. Wade.

L. A. Stephens marketed some very fine porkers at McCook on Saturday.

Mrs. C. E. Boatman and Miss Mattie Shears called at Eugene Dunham's, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. L. A. Stephens is in McCook, this week, guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Boatman.

Mrs. Jacob Pickrell has been having quite a severe attack of rheumatism, the past week or two, but is better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boatman and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Stephens spent Thursday evening of last week at R. M. Wade's.

A few months ago, Mr. Byron Every of Woodstock, Mich., was badly afflicted with rheumatism. His right leg was swollen the full length, causing him great suffering. He was advised to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. The first bottle of it helped him considerably and the second bottle effected a cure. The 25 and 50 cent sizes are for sale by L. W. McConnell & Co., Druggists.

TYRONE.

J. W. Holmes' little boy is sick. The revival meetings closed on Thursday night.

Mrs. Kite returned home to Bartley, Monday.

In the fracas Tommy Ryan struck Billy Patterson.

We learn that P. N. Fough will farm E. S. Moore's place, this season.

Levi Kimpton, who has been farming near Cambridge, the past two years, will occupy his former house near here, the coming year.

Rev. B. S. Haywood of Holdrege is expected here, soon, to deliver his lecture on education. There will be a small admittance fee to aid local church interests. Other lectures planned for will be free.

A GOOD LETTER.

FROM THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, Fernandina, Fla., Feb. 28, 1876. Mr. J. George Suhrer, Druggist, City. Dear George:—Please send a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. I would not feel easy if I knew there was none of this valuable Remedy in the house. I have given it a fair test and consider it one of the very best remedies for croup that I have ever found. One dose has always been sufficient, although I use it freely. Any cold my children contract yields very readily to this medicine. I can conscientiously recommend it for croup and colds in children. Yours respectfully, Geo. E. Wolff, Sold by L. W. McConnell & Co., Druggists.

FEATHERED DRUNKARDS.

Shocking Depravity on the Part of Birds Witnessed by Andrew Lang.

A queer story is told by Mr. Andrew Lang. The incident came under his own notice and occurred under the bridge over the Lochy, below the Ben Nevis Long John distillery. From this tale it is obvious that animals are only sober from lack of wit to obtain alcohol. "That establishment discharges into a burn a quantity of refuse, no doubt alcoholic. When we crossed the bridge in the morning to fish, the ducks from the farm opposite were behaving in a drunken and disorderly manner—flying, beating the water, diving, spluttering and greedily devouring the stuff from the distillery. Their antics were funny, but vulgar. By 2 o'clock we found the ducks sleeping off the effects of their debauch. We awakened them, and they all staggered eagerly to a bucket of water, from which they quenched the torments of thirst. A small sea bird behaved in a still more deplorable way. He slowly drifted down the Lochy from the fatal intoxicating burn, nor could pebbles judiciously thrown at him induce him to take the wing. He tried to dive, making efforts comic and unsuccessful. After drifting through the bridge I regret to say that he returned to the burn and "took a cup of kindness yet," getting all the more intoxicated and drifting back in a yet more deplorable condition. What a lesson, we said, is this to mankind, who, after all, need not speak of their boasted reasonableness! The wild and tame things of stream and ocean are as unwise as we."

Reason in the Lower Animals.

We have a fox terrier whose happiness was complete until Dodgerfield came. She is very affectionate, consequently very jealous. If looks and growls would kill, Dodgerfield would die many times a day. Both dogs eat from the same plate, but not at the same time. One day last week we fed Dodgerfield first. The fox terrier was very hungry and begged hard for first dinner. Dodger seemed to eat more slowly than usual, and Nettie watched dolefully. Finally hunger got the better of her honesty, and she barked sharply three short barks. Dodger left his plate and sprang to the window, looking excitedly up and down the road. Nettie looked neither to the right nor the left, but made straight for the plate of food as soon as Dodger's back was turned. If this was not an exhibition of reason and human intelligence, then mankind in general possesses a large degree of animal "instinct."—Dog Fancier.

Two Lists of Presidents.

John Adams, George Washington, J. Q. Adams, Thomas Jefferson, W. H. Harrison, James Madison, John Tyler, James Monroe, James K. Polk, Andrew Jackson, Franklin Pierce, Martin Van Buren, James Buchanan, Zachary Taylor, R. B. Hayes, Millard Fillmore, James A. Garfield, Abraham Lincoln, Chester A. Arthur, Andrew Johnson, Benjamin Harrison, U. S. Grant, Grover Cleveland.

There they are—about half and half. It is worthy of note that the two term presidents are all in the right hand column. Those in the left hand column were college graduates; those in the other column were not.—Western Teacher.

5,904,900,000 Descendants.

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