



THERE is nothing definite yet about the Maine incident. The court of inquiry has returned to Havana, and the end seems to be as far off as ever.

THE United States supreme court has delivered a decision upholding the constitutionality of the eight-hour law of Utah. Also a decision against the recovery of life insurance in cases of suicide.

THE result of the Bartley bondsmen suit does not give the fair and intelligent citizen, not to say patriotic and honest citizen, an increasing respect for the jury system, which seems to be gradually outliving its usefulness.

THE Loud bill has been defeated by a decisive majority. Now let a fair and reasonable bill be introduced and passed. There are wrongs in the present postal system, but they can better be righted than by crippling the weekly newspapers of the land.

HAYES county, the habitat of Judge Abbott, claims to have residing within its limits one of the most remarkable specimens of forgetfulness on earth, in an ex-county clerk who forgot to draw his salary for one quarter. He is said to have forgotten many other things not so remarkable or unusual.

THE finding of the Omaha jury for the defense in the state suit against the bondsmen of ex-State Treasurer Bartley, is another jar to the people of the state of Nebraska, who had reason to believe that the state would win the case against the bondsmen of the late defaulting state treasurer. It is no less disappointing to the people than it is alleged to have been the attorney general. In fact the people of this state are having more evidence than they desire or appreciate of the weakness of the jury system and the miscarriages of justice and equity.

THERE was evidently a screw loose in the cabinet when Secretary Long gave it out that the "question of the complicity of Spain in the wrecking of the Maine had been eliminated." It has been claimed all along that the president and the cabinet had promptly given the public all the information they received, had taken the people entirely into their confidence in all matters pertaining to the disaster, but the public has so far failed to get on to the evidence that eliminates the complicity of Spain. So the public mind is still open to conviction either way.—State Journal.

LA GRIPPE

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To some people the mention of la grippe calls forth a smile. They are the people who have never had it. Any one who has ever had even the slightest touch of la grippe knows well the complete misery it brings. And not only misery for the time being, but unless properly treated its sequella follows it month after month until the patient despairs of ever getting well again. Pe-ru-na is the remedy for all such cases. Mrs. Lou Davis, Fayetteville, Tenn., writes as follows: "I was afflicted with a disease commonly known as la grippe; the doctors said I had consumption. I had a dreadful cough and could not sleep at night. I was advised by a friend to try Pe-ru-na. I got one bottle, and the second night my cough stopped. I took ten bottles, and I will say that I believe I would be a dead woman now if it had not been for Pe-ru-na. I recommend Pe-ru-na to all those who suffer with la grippe."



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PROSPECT PARK.

Frank Cain is drilling a well for Jacob Crocker.

Rev. J. E. Tirrill and wife visited at R. M. Wade's, Wednesday.

Miss Cora Tirrill visited with Mrs. J. H. Wade, several days this week.

Quite a number from this place attended the funeral of Mrs. Sidney Dodge, at Pleasant Prairie, Sunday.

Mr. Meyer, from Frontier county, is moving into Frank Cain's house, and will farm the old St. German farm.

Rev. J. A. Bacon of McCook will preach at the Prospect Park school-house, next Sunday, at 3 p. m. everybody is invited. Sunday-school will be held at 2 p. m. on that day.

Miss Hattie Bunnell closed a very successful term of school in District 48, last Friday. On that evening, about 25 of her friends gathered at the home of C. E. Boatman, where she boarded, and had an oyster supper, and general good time.

NORTH COLEMAN.

Dallas Divine has moved on the farm vacated by Samuel Johns.

H. B. Wales is threshing some oats and cane and milo maize for H. K. Bixler.

What has become of Pleasant Ridge? We have not seen an item from there for some time.

Frank Carothers sold some calves to Thomas Real, for which he received a handsome price.

Samuel Johns has moved on the Nicklas farm, vacated by Robert Johns, who has gone to Ohio.

Mrs. J. B. Stryker and her mother were entertained by Mrs. R. H. Traphagen, Wednesday.

Calves are good property to invest in. The supply is not equal to the demand in this part of the country.

The cold wave has struck this part of the community, and the farmers are delayed in sowing their wheat in consequence.

Henry Carothers is on the sick-list. Dr. Welles, of McCook, was out to see him a day or two ago. We hope to see him around again soon.

ASIDE from the complications that may possibly arise over the Maine incident, the commercial outlook was never brighter for the United States. The exports of grain and breadstuffs from both Atlantic and Pacific coast ports continue large, prices of farm products show no evidence of decline, the labor market is better than it has been for years, and there is an abundance of money in the country with which to do the business. Every loyal American hopes that this outlook will not become a disappointing reality.—Omaha Bee.

It now comes to light that General Weyler, of Cuban notoriety, after he read President McKinley's message on Cuban affairs, sat himself down and wrote a fiery letter to the queen, setting forth that the president had insulted him beyond reparation, and demanded that the Spanish government call him to personal account for the insult. The queen paid no attention to his epistle, but it may be that it only waits future action. In case the Weylerites, who are very strong politically in Spain, carry the next cortes, perhaps the message may be made a casus belli.—Nebraska State Journal.

GERVER.

Mr. Fraime and wife from over near Herndon, Kansas, attended the funeral of Mrs. Sidney Dodge, Sunday.

Thomas Fowler lost a horse on Thursday of last week by poison which seems to have been obtained in the cornstalks.

Some of our young people attended the closing exercises of Miss Nettie Cooley's school, over in the Hartman district in Grant precinct.

William White, son of Rev. and Mrs. White, started overland to his home in Webster county, Monday of this week. While here he purchased a farm a short distance below Danbury.

Mrs. Sidney Dodge died on last Saturday, February 26th, 1898, at 6:30 o'clock. She was born in Pennsylvania, July 1st, 1835. Her maiden name was Harrietta Ely. She moved with her parents to Ohio, where she was married to Sidney Dodge, and from this union two sons were born, Joseph E. and Arthur S., both living. She moved with her husband to Red Willow county in 1882, where the family has since resided. The deceased was only sick 45 hours with an acute attack of pneumonia and was unconscious almost from the start. Rev. White delivered the funeral sermon before the largest assembly ever gathered at the Pleasant Prairie school-house. Burial was made at the Pleasant Prairie cemetery.

RED WILLOW.

Miss Anna Rinck has had a light attack of diphtheria.

Mrs. Taylor is suffering from a bad cold and lung troubles.

School at the Willow has closed to check the spread of diphtheria.

Several converts were made during the meetings at the Christian church, and they were last Sunday immersed in the Willow.

The report that Ed. Rinck had diphtheria was without foundation, also of Eddie Byfield's illness with the same disease. Eddie had a slight sore throat.

"The Utopian centipede!" That's nasty of her—and all because we wanted to know if there were no men in Utopia that amounted to shucks. Fancy a centipede fitting on shoes! More likely to crawl into one of Miss Antaltruria's shoes to occupy it. No, we're not coming again. We're busy with Utopian literature, and beside, we might crawl into one of Caltura's social egg baskets and cause a premature hatch of spring gossip, or worse yet, we might encounter a social critic, and our manners may need shading; so we shall stay right here in our Utopian hole, not even crawling out to talk over the fence to dear Miss Antaltruria.

The Baker girls, Julia and Millie, were in a more hopeful condition. The mother and three more of the children were reported to have diphtheria, on Sunday morning. As Dr. Gunn is almost constantly in attendance, their chances for a speedy recovery will be much better than it was for the girls, who were for several days supposed to have only a bad cold and ordinary sore throat; so that it was only when home nursing failed that the doctor was summoned. The neighbors wait anxiously all news from the sick-room, and heartfelt sympathy is extended to the suffering family, from the friends who are powerless to aid them.

The current week is Special Farmers' Institute week with The Iowa Homestead, and the regular edition is accompanied by one of the monthly supplementary Institute numbers which The Homestead has made so popular during the past two years. In the March Special, this week, "Renting Farms" is very thoroughly discussed by many farmers and land owners, and specimens of some of the best of the leases in use are given. "The Farmer's Berry Garden" is also treated very fully by many farmers and berry growers, and abundant information as to what, how, and when to plant is imparted. The home topic tells how to make farm life more attractive to the boys and girls, and the entire Special is one of the most interesting of this very interesting series. The Homestead itself is full of valuable, practical matter, as usual. Every farmer in this county should read it. Price \$1, including the monthly Specials. Address Homestead Co., Des Moines, Ia., for free sample copies.

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Commissioners' Proceedings.

[OFFICIAL—BY AUTHORITY.]

McCook, Neb., Feb. 28, 1898.

Board of county commissioners met pursuant to adjournment: Present, Stephen Bolles, Jas. A. Robinson and Henry Crabtree, commissioners, and R. A. Green, county clerk. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The following official bonds were examined and on motion approved: E. A. Sexson, assessor, Red Willow precinct; H. I. Peterson, justice of the peace, Grant precinct; Alexander Brown, overseer road district No. 43.

[Road No. 323.] Upon the petition of J. W. Collicott et al., and after due investigation the board finds that the public good requires it and have ordered opened the following road on section line: Commencing at the northeast corner of section 15 and thence one mile east to main road at northeast corner of section 14 in North Valley precinct, town 4, range 26, Red Willow county. On motion same is declared to be a public road and clerk directed to order overseers to open said road, and also notify owners of land along said road to file claims for damages caused by reason of the location thereof, on or before the 7th day of May, 1898, or no further action will be taken thereon.

[Road No. 324.] Upon the petition of V. J. Glandon et al., and after due investigation the board finds that the public good requires the opening of the following road on section line: Commencing at southwest corner of southeast quarter of southwest quarter of section eight, town three, range twenty-seven west of the 6th P. M.; running thence east on section line three-fourths mile to southeast corner said section eight; thence north on section line to northeast corner of the southeast quarter of said section eight in said town, and range and terminating thereat; on motion same is declared a public road and clerk directed to order overseers to open said road, and also notify owners of land along said road to file claims for damages caused by reason of the location thereof, on or before noon of Saturday, the 7th day of May, 1898, or no further action will be taken thereon.

On motion John K. Harry was appointed overseer of road district No. 2 to fill vacancy. The following claims were audited and on motion allowed and clerk directed to draw warrants on county general fund, levy of 1897, as follows:

Table listing various claims and amounts: Lincoln Land Co., rent room for court. \$16 00; I. M. Smith, bailiff district court. 16 00; Charles Cogizer, same. 2 00; M. O'Leary, board jury and prisoner. 10 25; Frank Neel, jailer. 57 00; J. R. Neel, sheriff, jury work and mileage. 69 00; I. M. Beardslee, clothing for pauper. 3 50; Wm. McCallum, mdse. 44 60; C. H. Meeker, rent court house. 50 00; W. H. Powell, mdse. 4 80; Barnett Lumber Co., coal. 1 65; J. H. Berge, county treasurer, error in tax receipt. 1 02; G. C. Boatman, C. D. C., fees insanity case Zeri H. Sherman. 5 00; W. V. Gage, same. 8 00; J. E. Kelley, same. 3 00; Stephen Bolles, services as com. 36 25; Jas. A. Robinson, same. 18 90.

JURORS, FEBRUARY TERM.

Table listing jurors and amounts: W. T. Henton. 12 40; Howe Smith. 2 30; W. J. Porter. 8 10; Jacob Steinmetz. 8 00; J. P. Notley. 2 10; David Keithly. 10 10; J. M. Starr. 8 00; A. E. Crosby. 3 80; S. S. Haywood. 12 40; J. H. Warheld. 10 90; John Goonenberger. 9 10; John Calkins. 7 10; M. A. Spalding. 10 10; M. H. Cole. 2 70; M. C. Maxwell. 10 30; Adolph Schmidt. 12 20; Samuel Premer. 12 20; C. M. Goben. 11 70; George Burt. 9 70; Lyman Miller. 10 40; C. H. Harrison. 8 30; George Harbor. 11 60; W. A. Minniear. 10 40.

TALESMEN.

Table listing talesmen and amounts: A. Hammond. 8 00; J. H. O'Neil. 10 00; John VanDike. 10 00; A. G. Dole. 8 00; Phillip Blatt. 8 00; W. Joslin. 8 00; H. I. Peterson. 6 00; T. Rowell. 2 00; Elias Canaga. 6 00; J. H. Wade. 4 00; August Wesch. 4 00; J. A. McKeen. 4 00. And on county bridge fund, levy of 1897, as follows: Matt Droll, hauling lumber. \$ 6 00; T. F. Welborn & Son, nails. 4 50.

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