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## Something for Nothing.

We have heard of the boy who wanted to eat his cake and keep it too, but never before of a business man who sold his goods and then gave the purchaser credit for the amount paid. To learn about this send to James Vicks Sons, of Rochester, N. Y., who agree to do this in their guide. The Golden Wedding edition of Vick's Garden and Floral Guide is certainly an artistic work, with its twenty-four pages lithographed in colors, and nearly one-hundred more pages filled with handsome half-tone illustrations, photographed from flowers, fruits, vegetables and homes.

While this guide is really too expensive to give away, they give it with a due bill for 25 cents worth of seeds for only 15 cents. Another new feature is the doing away with the old packet of vegetable seeds and stating the quantity in each case, the buyer getting more for his money.

## Steam and Electricity.

Of course you remember that the second annual exhibition of the Republican Valley District Poultry association will be held in our city next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. And in this connection the management desires us to announce that the exhibition will be held in the room formerly occupied by Knipple. The room is large and well lighted, steam heat will be turned into the room for the occasion and electric lights will be provided, so that the room will be comfortably heated and well lighted, two essential matters to be considered at this time of the year. This will make it entirely comfortable for the visitors and fowls, and will make it possible for those who desire to see the exhibition at night as well as in the day time. Don't fail to take advantage of this opportunity to see a fine exhibition of blooded birds of various kinds.

## County Aid Made Optional.

A measure has passed the state senate repealing the present county fair law and providing a new law, which makes it optional, instead of compulsory, for the county commissioners to aid the enterprise out of the county funds. It was urged, and with good reason, that the commissioners ought to have the option of giving or withholding aid. If a county fair does not come up to the requirements, aid should not be given. It was urged, and within the facts, that fairs have been held in some counties just to get the amount the old law made available from the county funds. The new measure should by all means become a law.

## Coldest of the Winter.

The thermometer has been retreating to fifteen and twenty below zero, the past few days, and making life miserable to a degree not before enjoyed for so long, this winter. It may be noted that the cold snap has been hanging around us with quite unusual pertinacity. Indeed, the weather has been decidedly snug, although not as severe as has been experienced before a number of times within the past fifteen or twenty years.

## A New Newspaper.

The Clarion Publishing company of Cambridge, Neb., with a capital stock of \$5,000, has filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The incorporators are: R. H. and J. M. Rankin, W. E. Babcock, H. H. Faling, E. R. Bee, C. M. Brown and J. M. Hollingsworth.—Lincoln Journal.

## St. Alban's Guild.

The ladies of St. Alban's guild will hold a social at the home of Mrs. W. D. Burnett, tomorrow evening, February 4. Refreshments will be served and games new to the people of this city will be played. There will be a charge of fifteen cents. All are cordially invited.

## Timber Claim Contest.

The timber claim contest of J. M. Shaddock of Hildreth against R. M. Crosby of Galena, Hayes county, has engaged attention at the local land office, part of the week. A number of witnesses were examined, and the case has been warmly contested throughout.

## A Distressed Family.

Rev. Jacob Long and wife have been sorely distressed for the past thirty days with the grip and other ailments. He was in town, yesterday, the first time in a number of weeks, and reports that his wife has gone stone blind. They have the sympathy of all their friends.

## Closed by Creditors.

Last Saturday, the dry goods store of I. M. Beardslee was closed by his creditors. The invoiced assets will exceed the liabilities. Mr. Beardslee has long been engaged in merchandising in Red Willow county, and this misfortune will be regretted by all.

## Girl Wanted.

A girl wanted to do general housework. Inquire at the residence of R. B. Archibald, west of West Ward school-house.

## MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

MRS. C. A. DIXON has been sick with the grip, this week.

MRS. ELZA ODELL is in the city, visiting Mrs. Benj. Olcott.

MRS. T. J. SMITH is here from Omaha, the guest of her daughters.

REV. J. W. HICKEY left on Monday morning for Boston on a visit.

MRS. A. G. EMERSON has gone to Council Bluffs, Iowa, on a visit.

C. E. ELDRIDG was in Lincoln, last Saturday, on business of the law.

MISS ANNA GIBBONS of Orleans, so report has it, is soon to be married.

MRS. A. B. TODD of Plattsmouth is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. A. Dixon.

MAVOR KELLEY has been ill and confined to the house, part of the week.

MISS ISA E. DWIRE is visiting M. H. Cole and family of Coleman precinct.

MISS LOTTA STOVER departed for Republic, Kansas, last Saturday morning.

MISS SARA LOWMAN was a passenger for Lincoln, Saturday morning on No. 12.

W. R. STARR was an interested observer of the legislative circus, Wednesday.

C. E. MCCONNELL was down from Culbertson, last night, on a matter of business.

MISS JOSIE MULLEN of C. L. DeGroof & Co.'s store has been ill and off duty, this week.

MISS ISA DWIRE has been spending part of the week in the city, the guest of Mrs. H. H. Berry.

PAT GIBBON of Orleans was in the city, Monday night, on his way up to Imperial on business matters.

OTTO PATE returned to work in the Cash Bargain store, Tuesday, after a sick absence of about a week.

CASHIER EBERT of the Citizens bank returned, last Saturday night, from his trip to Watertown, Wisconsin.

ROBERT PATRICK departed, Saturday on 12, for his home in Red Oak, Iowa. He will briefly visit in Grafton, Neb., en route.

A. F. RREVES' new address is Placerville, California, for which place the family has just left, with the good wishes of many friends.

MRS. F. M. KIMMELL and Master Schell went down to Lincoln, yesterday, on a short visit to her parents, Treasurer and Mrs. Meserve.

MAGGIE CULLEN was unable to fill her appointment, Monday, in the Kummer district, and her brother Arthur substituted for her.

MRS. W. S. MORLAN returned home, last Friday night, from visiting her sister, Mrs. Sage, wife of the Burlington agent at Wymore.

KENNETH WELLS has gone to Storm Lake, Iowa, on a visit of indefinite length, and not to Illinois, as we were misinformed, last week.

MISS MESERVE of the Eighth grade visited her parents in Lincoln over Sunday, going down to the capital city, Friday night and returning on Sunday night.

MRS. J. A. WILCOX departed for Omaha, Wednesday night on 6, to enter a hospital for treatment, expecting to be under the personal treatment of Dr. B. B. Davis, formerly of this city.

C. B. HARE departed on Monday morning, for Pawnee City, having retired from the service of L. W. McConnell & Co. Miss Flo. Thompson will assist in the store until a new pharmacist and clerk can be secured.

MISS BESSIE JONES was the happy object of a surprise party, last evening, at the home of County Attorney Starr, in which a company of her young friends participated with every indication of youthful and unalloyed pleasure.

MRS. HARVEY GUNDER and daughters, Nellie and Ida, arrived here Tuesday afternoon, from Stratton, and Mrs. Gunder went on to Omaha on No. 6 in the evening to undergo an operation for the correction of a fractured limb never properly reduced. The girls will visit their aunt, Mrs. A. G. Dole, until their mother's return.

## McCook Markets.

Corrected Friday morning.

Corn	27
Wheat	46
Oats	20
Rye	41
Barley	30
Hogs	3.20
Eggs	15
Butter	12
Potatoes	40

## PUBLIC SCHOOL ITEMS.

### IN CUBA WITH THE THIRD.

John Malcomb was only seventeen years old, but he was a very large boy and could easily pass for nineteen or twenty. He lived in Red Willow county, in the southwestern part of Nebraska, about fourteen miles northwest of the city of McCook. Ever since he had been able to talk he had wanted to go to war; so when Spain began to talk war with the United States, he was nearly wild. At last war was declared and his name was the fifth in the Third Nebraska regiment. There were twenty other boys that he knew in his company, "L," but when he got down to Omaha it was not long before he found out that there were no strangers in an army company. He liked camp life very much while he was in Omaha, but one night when he was standing guard and it was raining and lightning he did—just a little—wish he was at home on the farm. He told no one, however, and so got along very well.

All the boys were very glad when one day their good Colonel Bryan told them that they were to start for the front the next morning. All the regiment gave three cheers for their colonel, who tipped his hat, smiled, and rode away. The next morning they tore up camp and took everything to the depot.

As they passed through the stations the whole town would be down to see them, and at places where they stopped they had coffee and sandwiches. At last they came to Tampa, Florida, where they were to take the transports for Cuba. They were in Tampa about a week and while there John had the mumps, but he was out ready to start for Cuba with the rest.

They had a very nice trip to Cuba. On the way to their landing place, when they passed Havana and Morro Castle and saw the Spanish flag flying so soon to be taken down and the "stars and stripes" put in its place, some of the boys wanted to shoot at it with their rifles. They reached their landing place March 14th. It was terribly hot in Cuba when they landed and the boys felt it at once. They were in camp a long time and a good many of the boys died.

One day they had orders to go to a little Spanish fort outside of Santiago and take it by storm, so they started out. The Third was the only regiment to fight against it. Company L was the first to charge up the hill and at the first fire six of the brave boys fell never to rise again. This checked the charge for a minute and it looked as if they would turn and flee, but John started the charge again and the other companies were soon helping them. It was not long before the Spaniards surrendered.

The next day the colonel came around himself and made John a second lieutenant, one having been killed in the fight. There were twenty men killed in the fight, seventeen privates, two lieutenants and a captain. John was now a lieutenant in the 3rd and proud of it, too, for this was his first advance. He did not know whether he would live to advance farther or not for they had orders to start for Santiago and fight with the regular army. They were to be the only volunteer regiment in the coming fight.

GEORGE CAMPBELL.  
Eighth grade composition, January 26, 1899.

### 11TH AND 12TH GRADES RECEIVE.

The reception given the minstrel company and orchestra, their wives and husbands, in the Assembly room of the East ward school building, last Friday evening, was one of the most enjoyable, up-to-date and clever social affairs of the winter. In all about seventy people participated in the function, of which there are none but the pleasantest impressions, and which redounds to the high credit of the members of the grades and others associated in its promotion.

The Assembly room was most attractively and charmingly prepared for the occasion: Lace curtains, parlor lamps galore and of much beauty, rugs, rockers and furniture of various designs being used in converting the room from a school to a drawing room in appearance and comfort.

A programme was rendered by members of the grades, during the evening: Eva Lewis gave a piano solo; Ida McCarr, a vocal solo; Maude Doan and Lulu Beardslee an instrumental duet; Myrtle Meyer a vocal solo; Elsie Burgess and Frank Colfer, an instrumental duet; Frank Colfer, a recitation. Besides these meritorious numbers by the members of the grades, a number of the most popular selections of the late minstrel entertainment were repeated by the members of the company with keenest relish.

And last, but not least, was the "spread." Refreshments were served in the office. In the manner and vehicles of service much taste and cleverness were exhibited, as well as conspic-

uous skill in the products set before the guests of honor and objects of gratitude. Indeed, all concerned in the occasion have every reason to feel gratified over the result, the guests over being so handsomely entertained, and the hostesses in being able to so nicely remember their benefactors.

The High School Shakespeare club meets every Thursday night.

Rev. W. J. Turner was a Tuesday visitor, addressing the Assembly on Perseverance.

On Wednesday and Thursday evenings of next week, lantern slides exhibiting Greenland and Arctic Circle scenes will be shown in the Assembly room.

Pearl Brown was "surprised," last Friday evening, at the home of S. A. Moore, by her schoolmates and young friends. The family leaves for Crete, Nebraska, their former home, today.

J. H. Bayston, late of the Kearney reform school teacher corps, was a school visitor, Friday last, and delivered a brief talk on the effects of tobacco, which he regarded as one of the greatest curses to the American youth.

## CITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

CATHOLIC—Mass at 8 o'clock a. m. High mass and sermon at 10:30, a. m., with choir. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. All are cordially welcome.

REV. J. W. HICKEY, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN—Services in the Odd Fellow's hall as follows: Bible school at 10 a. m. Sermon at 11. Junior Y. P. S. C. E. at 3 and Senior Y. P. S. C. E. at 7. Evening sermon at 8. All are cordially invited.

T. P. BEALL, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL—Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock, Morning Prayer and Litany. Sunday evening at 8:00 o'clock, Evening Prayer. Sunday-school at 10:00 a. m. Friday evening lecture at 8:00 o'clock. Holy communion the first Sunday in each month.

HOWARD STOY, Rector.

CONGREGATIONAL—Sunday-school at 10. Preaching service at 11. Senior Endeavor at 7. Preaching service at 8. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. Junior Endeavor Tuesday afternoon at 4:15. A welcome to all. Morning subject, "Personal Religion." Evening theme, "Christ's Gift to Man."

W. J. TURNER, Pastor.

BAPTIST—Sunday-school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Junior Union at 3 p. m. Senior Union at 7. Gospel services at 8. Pastor's morning subject, "Christ and Human Wants." Evening theme, "Israel's Last Night in Egypt." The Lord's Supper at the close of morning service. All are welcome.

T. L. KETMAN, Pastor.

METHODIST—Sunday-school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11. Class at 12. Junior League at 2:30. Miss M. Baker, Supt. Epworth League at 7. The Lord's Supper at the close of the morning service. Preaching at 8 by Rev. O. R. Beebe. Quarterly conference at 9 a. m. Prayer and Bible study on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. All are welcome.

JAS. A. BADCON, Pastor.

They had a narrow escape from destroying the new Christian church, last Friday night, by the overturning of a lamp. Presence of mind and some lively work soon had the fire under control.

Rev. F. M. Sisson of Omaha delivered his lecture, "Plus," to a fair-sized and well-pleased audience, in the Methodist church, last night. One error inadvertently crept into the lecture, when "Mr. Finney and His Turnip" was credited to Longfellow as his "first poem." Longfellow denied being its author.

The weather militated against the success of the chicken-pie social given by the Endeavors in the Congregational church, Tuesday evening, hence the attendance was small and the destruction of chicken-pie limited and not up to expectations and desires. So supper was served in the church, Wednesday, to relieve the congestion of potted fowls.

## Into the River.

Reports received at D. and R. G. headquarters, late this afternoon, state that a rotary snowplow attached to a caboose and track clearing outfit engaged in opening the line in the Grand canon, was struck by a tremendous snowslide, shortly after 4 o'clock, and the rotary, caboose and locomotive were dashed into the river. There were thirty-two men on the train. Nothing definite is known of the loss of life, but a dispatch received later states that only two were recovered so far.—Thursday evening Denver Post.

Thirty-one members of the Third Nebraska regiment have died in the service, according to the report of Colonel Vifquain.

## RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

Boss Carpenter Irwin is on the relief, this week.

Conductor George Beck is on the sick-list, this week.

Brakeman J. J. Barry is laying off with an injured wrist.

312 is just out of the shops, after a general overhauling.

Miss Carrie Burge visited in Oxford, close of last week.

It was 16 degrees below zero at Culbertson, Wednesday.

Mrs. E. M. Cox is visiting Republican City relatives, this week.

Machinist M. Thorgimson has been among the sick, this week.

Brakeman Bert Best transacted business in Oberlin, first of the week.

Brakeman J. F. Utter was in Bartley on business, Tuesday between trains.

Conductor John Morris had business in Trumbull, Wednesday, between trains.

Asst. Supt. McFarland was down from Holyoke, Wednesday, on business of his position.

Switchman F. E. Kidder was off duty, part of the week, on account of sickness in his family.

Brakeman William Shinsel is in Grafton, this week, on business connected with his affairs.

Asst. Supt. Frank Harris came down from Denver, yesterday morning, on business of his office.

Engineer Sam Dulaney took No. 310 down to Havelock, Wednesday, to undergo a general overhauling.

John Stevens returned home, Sunday morning, from Michican City, Indiana, from the burial of his mother.

Mrs. Oscar Yarger came down from Logan, Colorado, Tuesday morning, on a visit to his parents and family.

Mrs. Charles Emerson is very ill. Her sister, Miss Ida Smith, is down from Denver to assist during her sickness.

Brakeman Herman Hegenberger is off duty and attending to some personal business at Herndon, Kansas, this week.

326 is out of the shops after a general overhauling. She goes on passenger in the place of 310, which has been taken to Havelock.

Fireman and Mrs. Harmon Bayliss went down to Oxford, Wednesday evening on 6, being summoned there by the death of his sister.

Chief Clerk Montmorency visited the folks in Omaha over Sunday, going down on Saturday and returning on 1, Monday morning.

Conductor J. J. Curran came up from Oxford, Tuesday night, to visit the family between trains, going back on 2, the following morning.

A train of dead sleepers which had been used in transporting troops came in on 80, Wednesday, and were sent east as a special in the evening.

Tom Malen fell off of a box-car at Oxford, yesterday afternoon, and sustained a fractured ankle. He was brought to McCook and is now being cared for in the hospital.

Seven Pullman sleepers have been housed here, part of the week, during the thawing of the steam pipes, which froze up on the trip over the mountains, the porters having run out of fuel.

Dick Crosby, a former Burlington conductor, and who conducted the first train over this division, was in town, first of the week, defending his right to a timber claim up in Hayes county, which was contested before the local land officers.

It has been from zero to fifteen to twenty below every morning, this week, and still the weather clerk isn't happy. The cold snap is general and severe everywhere. Business in the mountains is practically suspended, and much suffering and privation in that locality is being experienced.

Wednesday noon, while helping to push into the round house a Pullman car, Garry Dole was caught between one of the round house doors and the car and quite severely injured. His left shoulder blade was broken, besides he received numerous bruises in the turning over and rolling sustained.

R. R. Woods passed through the city, last Saturday on 2, from California, to his home in Sheridan, Wyoming. Mr. Woods was formerly Burlington agent here. Was the promoter of our electric light system and other improvements, while in our city, and is a leading man of business up in the Sheridan coal country.

## MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Try McMillen's Cough Cure.

You should try Loar for drugs.

Take your prescriptions to Loar's.

McCConnell's Balsam cures coughs.

WANTED—Short-hand pupils. L. W. Stayner.

The owner of a lost razor will find the same at this office.

Lebanon is the only unincorporated town in the county now.

O. L. Everist has sold his dray business and equipment to J. H. Dwyer.

THE TRIBUNE and The Toledo Blade for \$1.25 a year, strictly in advance.

This paper and the great St. Louis Semi-Weekly Republic for \$1.75 a year.

Frank P. Allen has opened a livery barn in Indianola, in charge of his son Charlie.

THE TRIBUNE and The Cincinnati Weekly Enquirer for \$1.50 a year, strictly in advance.

STOP—At the new drug store for drugs and notions. One door north National Bank.

An attractive assortment of box writing papers, very reasonable, at THE TRIBUNE office.

GIRL WANTED—For general housework. Inquire at residence of H. M. Tyler, North Manchester Ave.

THE MCCOOK TRIBUNE, the Omaha Weekly Bee and the Cosmopolitan Magazine, all three for \$2. You can't beat it.

Walter E. Corwin is arranging to move a house onto his farm, south west of the city, and contemplates some other improvements beside.

Don't make any arrangements for your year's reading matter without consulting THE TRIBUNE. We can club with any paper or magazine you wish and save you money.

Five quarts of air is contained in the lungs of the average man. The breath of some of them would lead one to conclude that their lungs contained a brewery, tobacco or cheese factory.

The ladies of the Shakespeare club entertained their husbands at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Meeker, Tuesday evening, as is their semi-occasional custom, with pleasant particulars,—games, refreshments etc.

McCook Lodge No. 61, A. O. U. W., at its last meeting, passed a resolution of thanks to the Degree of Honor for the banquet spread at the time of the visit of the Grand Master Workman. The meetings of No. 61 are as usual very interesting and instructive. At the last meeting Robert L. Traphagan became acquainted with the goat, and there are others in sight.

Marshal Jordan has been getting after some of the fellows who have not been taking care of their horses properly, with a sharp stick. It has been a disgrace the miserable treatment three or four individuals have been giving their horses, this winter, and the marshal will receive a vote of thanks if he succeeds in compelling those heartless fellows to feed and care for their animals in a humane manner.

## "A Warm Member."

Gould and Wesley's farce comedy, "A Warm Member," will be the attraction, next Monday night, at the opera house. The play comes to our city, with a reputation of being one of the best and funniest shows of the season. Gould and Wesley head the organization, and are surrounded by well known farce comedy performers. The piece, like all farcical plays, was written for laughing purposes and during the entire three acts the audience is kept busy holding its sides. There are no tiresome dialogues, no plot in particular, just enough to introduce the people to their auditors. W. J. Smithfield in the character of a well-to-do, jolly, old doctor, loses a letter in which is the information that he is to be visited by two noted English physicians, who are traveling incog. Two Weary Willies of the road find the letter and immediately proceed to impersonate the aforesaid physicians. Complications follow. Scott Lawrence in his great whistling boy specialty has no rival on the American stage. Bonnie Gould as the artless office girl is given splendid opportunities for subterfuge work. Nettie Nevina is the doctor's daughter, and while loving everybody else, has no use for tramps. Della DeGroat in the character of Mrs. Fly, a dashing young widow, creates lots of fun. Texola is considered one of the greatest grotesque dancers on the stage. Venita, as the warm member, is one of the many surprises. Cyclone is another surprise, but of the dark-horse variety. These artists, in combination with pretty girls, good singers and fine dancers form a whole which should pack the house. No advance in prices for this attraction.