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I feel very grateful for the patronage tendered me during 1899. I desire to double my business in 1900...

Wishing a happy and prosperous New Year to all I remain, D. W. LOAR, the druggist.

Advertised Letters.

The following letters were advertised by the McCook postoffice on Dec. 31st: Louis Kolb, Th. Sample, A. J. Lytle, Lenner West, James Meadley, Iva A. Odell, Miss Zelia Bower.

In calling for any of these letters, please say that they are advertised. F. M. KIMMELL, Postmaster.

ROYAL Baking Powder. Made from pure cream of tartar. Safeguards the food against alum. Alum baking powders are the greatest menaces to health of the present day.

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Masonic Elections and Banquets.

Orleans, Nebraska, January 3, 1900. (Special to THE TRIBUNE):—At the special commencement of Miriam chapter No. 47, Royal Arch Masons...

High Priest, Neil Pettygrove, Oxford. King, John T. McClure, Beaver City. Scribe, Mr. Swindell, Mascot.

Principal Sojourner, James Pepperel, Alma.

Captain of the Host, A. J. Cole, Oxford. Captain of the Guard, W. H. Banwell, Orleans.

Keeper of the First Veil, Web Josselyn, Orleans.

Keeper of the Second Veil, Mr. Luke, Mascot.

Keeper of the Third Veil, Treasurer, Stewart E. Lee of Oxford.

Secretary, Dr. L. M. Brady, Oxford.

After installation of officers, the Royal Arch degree was conferred on Henry C. Fairchild of Orleans and William Cropp of Oxford.

E. G. Bechtol, C. H. Roberts and Mr. Fink were visiting brethren from Holdrege.

A sumptuous banquet was served at the Burlington eating house, and the members of Miriam chapter and visiting Royal Arch Mason brethren enjoyed a feast of delicacies in the commodious dining hall presided over by worthy Host Trammell.

It was a "spread" worthy of the occasion, and reflects credit upon both the chapter and Mr. Trammell.

At the special commencement of Atwood lodge No. 164, A. F. & A. M., of Atwood, Nebraska, December 27th, the following officers were installed:

Worshipful Master, D. O. Bye.

Senior Warden, F. M. Marshall.

Junior Warden, Fred Robertson.

Secretary, Albert Hemming.

Treasurer, O. K. Bone.

Senior Deacon, O. V. Henderson.

Junior Deacon, A. McMahon.

Following the installation, the entered apprentice degree was conferred on John Means of Atwood, Kansas.

After adjournment, a bountiful repast was served at the Tremont house, where forty plates were laid for the Masonic brethren, their mothers, wives, sisters, daughters and sweethearts.

The tables groaned under the weight of delicacies—the best the market afforded. It was a social event of the first magnitude for Atwood, eclipsing anything of the kind lately attempted in the capital city of Rawlins county.

The worthy host and hostess of the Tremont house, as well as the Masonic committee, Albert Hemming, Fred Robertson and F. M. Marshall, deserve a full mead of praise for the successful event.

McCook Markets.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes Corn, Wheat, Oats, Rye, Hogs, Eggs, Butter, Potatoes, and Butter fat.

COLEMAN.

Mrs. Thos. Ryan returned, Thursday, from Grafton, Nebraska, where she had spent the holidays with friends.

J. Pate marketed two porkers, Tuesday, that tipped the beam at 950 pounds. And hogs are hogs, now, you know.

R. J. Traphagan shelled about 1,500 bushels of corn, the fore part of the week. It was about half of his crop.

George Howell is now occupying his new frame house. It is a good, substantial building—T-shaped—16x26 and 14x24 feet in dimensions.

Ira and Emer Divine were both home from Franklin, over the holidays. Emer rode up on his bike, Friday a week ago, over 100 miles. Ira returned to the academy on Tuesday night of the week.

The Coleman school house drew a large company, Saturday evening, December 23rd, the occasion of the Christmas entertainment. There was a well-filled tree and all the other attractive appurtenances to an enjoyable affair.

The annual hunt in the western part of this precinct came off, last Friday. It was the young men against the married men, and the married men warped it to the "kids" in young style to the tune of 395 points. The youngsters paid for the oysters and crackers. The supper was served at the home of William Bymer, and 112 satisfied their cravings for bivalves, and there were plenty left.

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A Frightful Blunder Will often cause a horrible burn, scald, cut or bruise. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures old sores, fever sores, ulcers, boils, felons, corns, all skin eruptions. Best pile cure on earth. Only 25 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by McConnell & Berry.

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BOX ELDER.

Box Elder had a new white dress for New Year.

There was no preaching, last Sunday, on account of the weather.

Reece Harrison left, last week, for Denver, to visit over the holidays.

George Oakley has returned from Oklahoma and will farm in Nebraska again.

John White says he will be on time, hereafter, thanks to a handsome new gold watch.

Charles Holcomb has moved to North Dakota, to try farming where it is cold, he says.

Mrs. Isica Atkinson entertained her brother, Frank Boinet of Maxwell, Iowa, through the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Osborn of the upper Willow spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Werner.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Wildman are entertaining their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hurshman of Farnam, over the holidays.

Santa Claus and the Christmas tree drew, as usual, a crowded house. Nuts and candy were distributed to young and old in bountiful lots. The programme rendered by the children was good, especially the selection sung by the little girls, and the music by the choir. So, merrily and joyously, ended another Christmas-tide.

J. I. Bevry, Logan, Pa., writes: "I am willing to take my oath that I was cured of pneumonia entirely by the use of One Minute Cough Cure after doctors failed. It also cured my children of whooping cough." Quickly relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Children all like it. Mothers endorse it. D. W. Loar.

Wesley Vanmeter is sick with pneumonia.

Levi Kimpton is preparing to start to Arkansas.

Most of the farms here for rent are rented for the coming year.

J. C. Moore negotiated the sale of the Jenkins' place to Martin Lindgren.

Work is being crowded on the new church. It will be ready for the plasterers in about a week.

There is some prospect of this postoffice being supplied from Cambridge instead of Wilsonville as at present.

Miss Nellie Elmer of Indianola is teaching Miss Canaga's school here until the board makes some permanent arrangement.

L. T. Travis, Agent Southern R. R., Selma, Ga., writes, "I cannot say too much in praise of One Minute Cough Cure. In my case it worked like a charm." The only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, and all throat and lung troubles. D. W. Loar.

REDWILLOW.

The holidays are over and we think everyone had a joyous time.

On New Year day a happy assembly of young girls met at Mrs. Aaron Sheets' to sew carpet rags. They succeeded in sewing as many as a previous assembly of married women. In the evening there was an oyster supper and the boys came and the evening was spent in merriment.

F. B. Thirkield, Health Inspector of Chicago, says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cannot be recommended too highly. It cured me of severe dyspepsia." It digests what you eat and cures indigestion, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. D. W. Loar.

INDIANOLA.

Miss Jennie McClung has been the guest of Miss Minnie Rowell of McCook, part of this week.

Miss Lillian Welborn was in McCook, yesterday, on business of the county superintendent.

Art. Crabtree, the new deputy sheriff, has been spending most of the week in the county seat, learning the ropes of his new position. It is one with which, however, he is somewhat familiar. He will make a satisfactory deputy, we wager.

Commissioner Crabtree has been absent in the county seat, all week, in attendance upon the meetings of the board of county commissioners, now making their annual settlements with the old county officers and inducting the new ones into office.

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He Would Know More.

An exceedingly well dressed woman sat in an elevated railway car the other day, and opposite her was an elderly man. The woman got up to leave the car, and in the corner of the seat where she had been sitting the man spied a piece of black net. Jumping for it, he called out:

"Madam, you have left your veil!"

As she took no notice of him he dashed down the aisle after her, and, touching her on the elbow again, said:

"Madam, you have left your veil!" at the same time holding it up in full view of all.

It was a frowsy, frayed, torn piece of black cotton net.

"It is not mine, sir!" she snapped out, giving him a withering look, and the obliging old man shrank back as if he had been jabbed with a harpin, while the passengers grinned.

"Why was she so mad about it?" he asked in a dazed way as he laid the homely little rag on the window sill.

"I guess you never paid for a woman's finery," said another man.

"That's so," said the withered one in a hopeless tone. "I am a bachelor. Perhaps I'd know more if I'd married."

"You would that," said the other feelingly.—New York Tribune.

Resting the Muscles.

When a man is tired, he stretches his arms and legs and yawns. Birds and animals, so far as possible, follow his example.

Birds spread their feathers and also yawn, or gape. Fowls often do this. Fish yawn; they open their mouths slowly until they are round, the bones of the head seem to loosen, and the gills open.

Dogs are inveterate yawners and stretchers, but seldom sneeze unless they have a cold. Cats are always stretching their bodies, legs and claws, as every one knows who has a cat for a pet.

Horses stretch violently when and after indulging in a roll, but not, as a rule, on all fours.

A stag when stretching sticks out his head, stretches his fore feet out and hollows his back and neck as though trying to creep under a bar.

Most ruminant animals stretch when they rise up after lying down. Deer do it regularly; so do cows. This fact is so well known that if a cow, when arising from lying down, does not stretch herself it is a sign she is ill.

The reason for this is plain—the stretch moves every muscle of the body, and if there be any injury anywhere it hurts.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Measuring a Tree.

Supposing a woodchopper in the Maine forest is told to get out a mast for a yacht. He knows that he must find a tree which is straight for 60 feet below the branches. It would be very troublesome to climb trees and measure them with a tape measure, so he, without knowing it, uses practical trigonometry. He measures off 50 feet in a straight line from the tree, and then he cuts a pole, which, when upright in the ground, is exactly as tall as himself. This he plants in the earth his own length from the end of his 50 feet.

For example, if he is six feet tall, he plants his six foot pole 54 feet from the tree. Then he lies down on his back, with his head at the end of the line and his feet touching the pole, and sights over the top of it. He knows that where his eyes touch the tree is almost exactly 60 feet from the ground.—Weekly Bouquet.

Filial Love.

That's a pathetic story of the Gourdon fishing boat crew. No class of men face death more frequently than the hardy fisher toilers of the sea, and among none is a genuine heroism more frequently displayed.

The Gourdon boat was manned by a father and his four sons. When the boat sank, three of the latter went with her. The old man got an oar, and soon the fourth son appeared by his side. But the oar could only support one, and the lad, taking in the situation at once, bade his father farewell in the words, "Weel, weel, father, I maun jist awa," and sank.

Only readers familiar with the northern dialect will fully appreciate the depth of kindly resignation and true feeling which the words denote. The father endured terrible sufferings, but was ultimately picked up. "Greater love hath no man than this."—Westminster Gazette.

A Natural Cross.

One of the most beautiful natural rock carvings in the world is the Southern Cross, on the island of Grand Manan, in the bay of Fundy. It stands at the head of a ledge of rocks jutting into the bay from the foot of one of the immense cliffs at the southern end of the Grand Manan. Its shape is that of an almost perfect cross.

Professional Jealousy.

"You are nothing but an imitator," said the bluejay, full of wrath at hearing its cry so accurately mimicked.

"All that ails you," airily retorted the mocking bird, "is that you are envious because I can sing your song so much better than you can."—Chicago Tribune.

Did Not Dispute It.

"Your honor," protested the burglar. "I am as honest as the day is long."

"I don't doubt," replied the magistrate. "I understand you fellows transact all your business at night."—Philadelphia Record.

Among every 1,000 bachelors there are 38 criminals. Among married men the ratio is only 18 per thousand.

Forecourt is a corruption of farce-meat, from the French farce, stuffing—i. e., meat for stuffing.

The Old Man Had Changed.

A Lancaster county man once came to a Philadelphia portrait painter with a request that he paint a picture of his father. "Very well," said the artist; "have the old gentleman come in when next in town, and I will give him a sitting." The man replied: "He can't do dot; he is dait."

"Oh, well, then, you have a photograph of him?"

"No; I don't got no fottoGRAF of him elder."

"Well, how do you expect me to paint the portrait of your father when I cannot see him and have nothing to give me an idea of his appearance?"

"Vell," he replied, "I dinked maybe of I dolt you about him you gan baint him from dot."

"All right," said the artist, "describe him."

"Vell, my fadder was not so dall und not so short; he was not fat und not so dln." And so the honest fellow proceeded to describe his father as he recalled him.

The artist undertook to paint the picture, and in due course it is completed, and the Lancaster county man comes in to view the results of the artist's efforts. As the canvas is disclosed he gazes long and reverently upon the picture of his departed parent. Then he feelingly remarks: "Yah, dot is mine fadder! Mine fadder vat I loafed so much! But, ach himmel, fadder, how you haf changed!"—Philadelphia Times.

A Beautiful System.

The Memphis Scimitar tells of a recent bride whose husband noticed that she was keeping an itemized account of the household expenses. In looking it over one day he noticed at the bottom of each page or two the letters "D. K. W." This somewhat puzzled him. He really found it very difficult to keep from thinking about what these letters could possibly mean. It occurred to him that possibly his wife was saving out some money to buy something for him. But then he knew that his initials were not "D. K. W." and this did not prove a satisfactory solution to the matter.

So one day when his wife was in a real good humor he took her in his arms and asked what she meant by "D. K. W. 50 cents," "D. K. W. \$1" and the like.

She replied: "D. K. W. stand for 'don't know what.' Whenever I went to balance my account at the end of each page and found I had spent money for which I could not account, I just put in a sufficient amount, with the item 'D. K. W.' to make it balance just exactly."

Fast Driving in Russia.

In the larger cities of Russia there is no limit to the speed at which a horse may be driven through the public streets. The typical harness horse is the Orloff, a breed founded by Count Orloff-Chemenski, being a cross between the Arabian stallion Smetanka and imported mares, principally English.

An average roadster is 16 hands high and weighs 1,100 pounds, with heavy mane, a bushy tail that reaches nearly to the ground and "iron" limbs that show great muscular development. The favorite color is gray. Such an animal is driven through the principal streets of St. Petersburg at a furious pace, that portion near the center and beside the surface car tracks being reserved for fast driving.

During the winter months teams of two and three abreast are driven to sleighs at a three minute gait. There is racing all winter, the courses being flooded at night to provide three inches of solid ice. American pneumatic sulkes, harness, boots, gaiting appliances, etc., are in general use.

Lord Lansdowne Visits Turner.

No one was admitted to Turner's house in Queen Anne street unless specially invited. There was a sort of little iron grille in the center of the front door, through which the old housekeeper used to look and see who was there. As an example of the rarity of visitors the late Lord Lansdowne, who was a great lover of art and a friend of Turner's, told me that after receiving no answers to his letters he resolved to beard the lion in his den. He therefore went and knocked at the door, when a shock head appeared at the iron grating, and its owner called out, "Cat's meat, I suppose?"

"Yes, cat's meat," answered his lordship and squeezed himself in.—"Millais' Life of Turner."

The Aged Minister.

If his work be in a city church, it is a grave question whether any minister can now discharge it with efficiency who is much above 50 years of age. The multitude of details in a city parish, the excitement