SOUTH SIDE.

W. S. Fitch is putting up wild hay.

M. C. Maxwell has been on the sick-list, but is better now.

W. T. Stone and A. S. Grannell have returned from Franklin and report a good time and a large turn-out.

This locality was visited by light showers on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday nights, and the late corn and wild hay are doing well now.

The concert people met at the school-house, Wednesday evening, and judging from the amount of interest shown, the concert will be a grand success.

It was a mistake about Frank Fitch and Roy Jacobs going to Oklahoma, as they expect to go to Lincoln to school: Frank to the Wesleyan and Roy to the Nebraska university.

St. Louis has the world's largest hardware house.

New Jersey is not only the mother of trusts, but the step-mother of imported anarchists.

The Philippine natives run pell-mell,
At the sound of our Yankee yell,
But, oh, what a gait they'll have, maybe,
After taking Rocky Mountain Tea.
—Ask your druggist.

America has 2,500,000 telephones.

BOX ELDER.

Mrs. Elizabeth Winans leaves for Indiana, this week.

Mrs. A. W. Campbell was quite sick, last week; is some better now.

William Doyle marketed 1,000 bushels of corn in McCook, last week.

Charles Masters started for Illinois, Tuesday, to work during the winter.

Anfin Houge threshed, this week, for Isaac Atkinson, H. Hansen and F. S. Schoonover.

D. P. Brower returned home, Sunday, from the west, where he has been quite sick, so did not find a location.

The grove meetings, Saturday and Sunday, were well attended. Presiding Elder Hardaway of Holdrege and Rev. Badcon of McCook assisted Rev. Robinson. The meetings were enjoyably profitable.

An inscription on a tombstone in a Pennsylvania graveyard reads: "He was An Honest Man." He died in 1798.

An exchange says: "The shirtwaist man has come to stay!" Good heavens! Corsets, too?

BARTLEY.

Charlie Vickrey, recently of Chicago, Ill., is here visiting his parents.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Short, a sweet daughter; weight, ten pounds. All parties doing well.

Collecting the dog-tax is causing some kicking. The more worthless the cur, the greater the kick.

The yield of small grain and the prospect of a corn crop are better than believed it would be, a few weeks ago.

Mrs. E. A. Hamilton and daughter, Miss Sadie, have returned from their extended visit in the eastern part of the state.

Dr. J. E. Hathorn lost a valuable cow, Saturday. She was staked out, and breaking the picket-rope, got into a near-by cane patch, dying in a few minutes.

Several of our sports attended the ball game at Indianola between the Oberlin and Indianola nines. They say Indianola won easily—(with the help of Oberlin.)

Miss Sadie Hamilton began a term of school at Wakeful Hill school-house, Monday. Sadie is a successful teacher; by her winning ways and ability to instruct she has the friendship of both pupils and patrons.

A visit to the Inter-Ocean office, Tuesday, disclosed everything from the editor to the shooting-stick to be all mixed up. Birth notices in the galleys and in every column already placed in the chases. Inquiry reveals the cause, which was an extra issue bearing the marks of Editor Matthews. This issue had been locked in the form for some months, but was not brought before the public until about 2 p. m., Tuesday. It's of the feminine gender and weighed eight pounds. Mother and babe doing finely. Cecil is yet in a precarious condition.

We notice that Samuel Randolph don't believe a man can be a lawyer and successful farmer at one and the same time. 'Tis very likely there are many lawyers who could not be successful in agriculture and law, and it is quite often the case those engaged in these vocations are not successful in both or either of them, but from this we can not reasonably infer that there are not some persons whose ability enables them to make a success in one or more occupations. We had the pleasure of visiting W. S. Morlan's farm and found him superintending all the details of the work, neglecting nothing which was necessary to make his farming a success. Every part of the work was done in a thorough and systematic manner, just as Mr. Morlan has the reputation of doing his legal work. And we suggest to the county fair management they would do a good thing for the association and the people generally if they would secure Mr. Morlan to deliver an address on farming in Red Willow county. It is the men who go out on the farm and are successful that we want instruction from, and not those sidewalk store-box whittlers that are ever and eternally telling just how to farm, and never made a success of anything.

INDIANOLA.

Harlow W. Keyes and E. S. Hill had business in the county's capital, Thursday afternoon.

Miss Effie Teel is now book-keeper and cashier for the B. L. Paine clothing store of Lincoln.

A number of McCookites—the worse for booze, some of them,—indulged in a "scrap" among themselves in the evening after the ball game, Monday, and did nothing creditable to themselves or to their town during the proceedings.

The Oberlin base-ball club received the shock of the season here, Monday afternoon, in its defeat by the Indianola club in a score of 13 to 12. The Oberlin rooters were offering odds that they would be victorious, and they haven't recovered yet. Adams, Bocock and Webster of McCook rendered valuable assistance to the local club.

A moonlight picnic was held on the Hedges farm, just across the west river bridge, Saturday evening, in which a large company of young folks participated. The Misses McCool, Misses Flora Hoyt and May Neel were chief promoters of the delightful affair. Among those from McCook were: Misses Millie Slaby, Virgie Cassell, May Hileman, Virgie Ludwick and Nettie Dutton.

Cuba is the greatest sugar-producing country.

McCook Markets.

Corrected Friday morning.

Corn	$ .47
Wheat	.50
Oats	.40
Rye	.36
Hogs	4.50
Eggs	.08
Butter	.13
New Potatoes	.70
Butter fat—at Creamery	.14

A PICKPOCKET'S RUSE.

The Trick by Which He Once Got a Woman's Purse.

Jack Piggott, the noted pickpocket, used to tell a funny story about the difficulty he had in picking the pocket of a fashionably dressed woman who was looking in at the window of Shreve's jewelry store. It illustrates the hardships that the light fingered gentry are forced to endure in the pursuit of their profession and when first related was considered amusing not only by Piggott, but by the many to whom he confided his experience.

It was a cold winter evening, and the lady on whose purse Piggott had designs stood looking at the holiday finery so temptingly displayed. Piggott said that he tried all the arts known to his craft for the extraction of the wallet, but all in vain, until, as a last resort, he fished a toothpick from his pocket and, reaching around, tickled the lady's ear. Instinctively she raised her hand to brush away the invading insect or whatever it might be and in so doing let go of her pocketbook that she was carrying in the pocket of her coat.

It was only an instant, but it was long enough for the expert pickpocket to get in his work, and when she put her hand back her money was gone, and in the crowd around her she could not identify the pale faced, fashionably dressed young man at her side as the person who had robbed her, and if she had accused him there would have been no proof against him, as the swag was at once passed to a pal who stood ready to receive it and run. Piggott was not even arrested for that crime, and the lady's ludicrous outcries furnished material for mirth long after.—San Francisco Bulletin.

LAYING UP A COMPETENCE.

Something That Practically Any Man Can Do Through Self Denial.

"There are some men of genius," said Mr. Nippingly, "who accumulate great fortunes by great strokes, but by far the greater number of fortunes, including those of moderate dimensions, and these form the great majority of all, are made by the very simple process of living within one's income and investing the surplus with more or less wisdom, but always where it will be safe.

"The older I grow the more amazed I am that more people don't lay up a competence for themselves, as most anybody can do, by beginning early in life to live within their income and sticking to that course faithfully. Did I do this myself? No. Am I, however, having learned the wisdom of this course, now making a beginning? I am obliged to say 'No.' I am still spending all I get and laying by nothing.

"There are some lessons that we all easily acquire, but never turn to our own advantage. One of these is of the benefits that arise from the exercise of self denial. We get from this at once the direct benefit of what we save, and self denial nourishes, strengthens and broadens the will and enables a man constantly to do and to earn more and more.

"There's simply nothing like self denial. It is the key to every one of life's treasures, and everybody has one of those golden keys in his possession, eager to help him and waiting only for him to bring it in use."—New York Sun.

An Amazed Woman.

A woman who had an Arabic glass cup of the fourteenth century and did not know its value took it to the British museum. After due consideration the expert, to her surprise, said that, though the museum did not want it, it might be worth $2,000. The woman shuddered, because she had been carrying in a crowded London omnibus a bit of glass worth so much money and it had miraculously escaped smashing.

Finally, wanting money more than Arabian glass, she sent the object to an auctioneer's. Fancy her amazement when, starting at $2,500, the Arabic cup went by leaps and bounds and was finally knocked down for the nice sum of $6,500.

Actually the Arabic cup was worth very much less, but it so happened that there were two rivals at the auction, who bid against each other.—China, Glass and Lamps.

Age is not to be feared. The older a good and healthy person grows the greater becomes his capacity to enjoy the deeper, sweeter and more noble kinds of happiness which the world affords.

Our sentiments, our thoughts, our words lose rectitude on entering certain minds, as sticks plunged into the water look bent.

After a woman has reached the age of 30 she wonders how many years will have passed before she is 31.—Chicago News.

REDWILLOW.

Red Willow school-house is undergoing repairs.

J. F. Helm has recently had another horse to die. Cause unknown.

Wm. Byfield took two cars of cattle to Omaha and sent two cars to Kansas City on Tuesday.

Fred Carter got his ankle very badly sprained while doing some work about the threshing machine, Thursday morning. He will give the machine a rest until he recovers.

Mrs. James Woodworth, while in McCook the other day, was robbed of some very choice White Plymouth Rock chickens. Mr. Woodworth and the boys had been called away so the place was quite alone; still the thief must have been a bold one, to go in broad daylight and steal thirty chickens.

COLEMAN.

Harry Cole is improving slowly.

W. S. Bixler took off a load of hogs, Tuesday.

Henry Oellerich will build a new house, soon.

Eli Bair took a load of hogs to market, Tuesday.

There were several showers, Monday afternoon, and a good rain at night.

Eli Bair bought six pigs, last spring, for $9, and sold them on Tuesday for $54.

Fritz Buhr took out six loads of lumber, Wednesday, for a new house; it will be 28x28 feet.

William Coleman was around over the precinct, Wednesday, with a load of Indiana boys.

Tuesday afternoon and night, nearly two inches of rain fell over a portion of this precinct.

The Official Line.

Department Commander Reese of Nebraska announces that the Burlington Route has been selected as the official line to the national encampment of the G.A.R. at Chicago, August 27 to Sept. 1, and that the headquarters train will leave the Burlington station, Omaha, at 7:30 p.m, Saturday, August 25. This is the train all members of the G. A. R., Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., wives and daughters of veterans and their friends will take. It will have standard and tourist sleeping cars and free reclining chair cars and will arrive at Chicago, 9:30 a. m., August 26.

The lowest of low rates are always made for the G. A. R. encampment. This year the rate will be one fare for the round trip to Chicago. Tickets will be on sale, August 24 to 27 —8-10 3ts.

J. Francis, G. P. A.,
Omaha, Neb.