

NEBRASKA seems to be in danger of being reduced to five congressmen.

THE rehabilitation of Nebraska in the opinion of her eastern neighbors would be worth many ducats to her if she wanted to borrow some money, but she is no longer in the borrowing business to any appreciable extent.

THERE is a growing appreciation in the mid-west of the invaluable nature of irrigation, and the indications point now to a movement upon a solid basis for the gradual but permanent growth of the idea.

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.

EPISCOPAL—Services during summer: Sunday-school at 10. Evening prayer and sermon every Sunday at 8 o'clock. Sunday morning service, also Friday evening Litany, discontinued until further notice.

HOWARD STROY, Rector.

CHRISTIAN—Bible-school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 and 7:30. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Prayer-meeting on Wednesday evening. All are invited.

J. W. WALKER, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL—Sunday-school at 10. Preaching at 11. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:45. Preaching at 7:30. Prayer-meeting, Wednesday evening, at 7:30. Morning subject, "The Soul the Standard of Value."

W. J. TURNER, Pastor.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held in the Methodist church. Sermon by W. J. Turner of the Congregational church.

The Dorcas society will give an informal reception in the Congregational church, this evening, with a short programme and light refreshments.

COURT-HOUSE NEWS.

COUNTY COURT.

Following licenses to wed have been issued since our last report:

William D. Mackechnie and Lillian M. Welborn, both of Indianola. James J. McCoy of Frontier county and Minnie F. Stillman of McCook.

Some City Affairs.

The city council was in session, Monday evening, transacting a small amount of municipal business. Bills were allowed as follows:

McCook Electric Light Co. \$5.00
Bullard & Co. 32.55
Lincoln Land Co. 425.00
John Ekstedt. 48.00

The petition for a curfew ordinance was placed on file to be further considered at the next session of the council.

This Morning's Programme.

The following programme was rendered in the High school assembly, this morning: Morning hymn..... Lucile Lawson

Notice to Hunters.

Hunting and trespassing on my lands south-west of McCook are positively prohibited and failures to observe this notice will be vigorously prosecuted.

Meat doesn't make the man, but a good, juicy steak goes a long way in that direction, and you can't make much of a man without it.

BARNETT LUMBER COMPANY. For All kinds of Hard and Soft Coal. Bottom Prices. Square Dealing. DENNISON STREET. ORDERS FILLED PROMPTLY. TELEPHONE NO. 5.

C. H. Harman Assaulted.

C. H. Harman was assaulted, Monday afternoon, at the gate leading into his farm, a few miles west of McCook, by Brakeman T. H. Hampson, and pretty badly misused. Harman had just driven through the gate into the road leading toward McCook, when Hampson and Brakeman D. M. Taylor drove up in a buggy.

Mr. Harman returned to his house, and shortly afterwards, accompanied by his wife, came to McCook for the purpose of having his assailant arrested.

Before he could secure the services of an officer, however, Hampson appeared before Police Judge Berry, pleaded guilty to a charge of assault, and was fined by the court \$1 and costs; his honor thinking the offense had been committed within the city limits.

Later, L. W. Stayner appeared in Judge Berry's court and sought to have Hampson placed under a bond to keep the peace. A warrant was issued, but Hampson could not be found.

Not satisfied with the measure of justice meted out by Judge Berry, who, under the circumstances did not have jurisdiction, Mr. Harman appeared in county court and filed complaint against both Hampson and Taylor. Warrants were issued, but the sheriff failed to find Hampson; he secured Taylor, however, who came into court, and the case was continued over until after supper.

The unfortunate affair is an aftermath of the election, Hampson thinking (erroneously Mr. Harman stoutly avers and maintains,) that Harman had reported him to the railroad officials.

Monday morning, Hampson applied to Mr. Stayner for his time, but he was referred to Trainmaster Kenyon, so had not been discharged or given his time at the time of the assault. After the affair at the farm and upon his arrival in town, Taylor applied to the company for his time.

A Rough House.

Landlord Swart of the National hotel had a warm time, last Friday night, with two linemen, Cole and Weeden by name, whom he ejected from a room in his hotel—the men having in their intoxicated condition gotten into a room reserved for other patrons, and gone to bed. They had to be forced out of the room the second time, and then the merry time opened, with the landlord in the leading role.

Thursday afternoon of last week, Jacob Kern, boss of the Bartley section gang, in a political altercation with Luther Bush, a well known and violent character of that place, was severely cut with a knife in the hands of Bush.

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McCormell's Balsam cures coughs.

ADDITIONAL RAILROAD NEWS.

There were three sections of No. 3, last night. Jay Rifenbery returned to the city, first of the week.

Brakeman F. J. Thorne is very low with typhoid fever.

W. E. Kithcart is a new brakeman employed, this week.

Engineer and Mrs. H. H. Kingsbury, this week, returned to Chicago to live.

W. E. Butler is "running on one side" for the present, while his left pedal extremity is in the hands of the medic.

M. V. Traver has purchased the Kelsey dwelling and the family has occupied the same, this week. W. H. Bohnstedt and family have moved into Dr. Waters' house.

Owing to an increase in business, the company has placed another crew in the freight service, this week, with Conductor G. W. Bunting in charge, and Brakemen W. M. French and Alva Garner assisting him.

Walter Stevens, a young fellow who has been working in the shops, left town and his creditors, a few evenings since. His creditor friends are quite numerous. He seemed to have a weakness for selling articles bought on credit, for cigarettes and booze—a pretty hard combination.

The Burlington absorbed 27 small lines of railroad, last week, adding the total mileage to the general "Q" system. They had owned a controlling interest in their stocks and managed them for years, and they now place them under the general management directly and absolutely.

The Burlington system is building five new mail cars for the new fast mail service to the north-west. Two of these cars are being built at Plattsmouth, and three at the Pullman shops. The cars are to be regulation government mail cars, sixty feet in length and fitted with all modern conveniences for the handling of mail.

The Rocky Mountain Railway club will hold a regular monthly meeting on Saturday, November 17th, in the American house, Denver. The principal paper will be: "Round-House Management," by A. H. Powell, general foreman of the D. & R. G. The topical discussion will be: "Truck Journal Brasses and Wedges on Some Private Refrigerator Cars," by William Baird, inspector for the B. & M. R. R.

The Burlington is proceeding along the line of teaching its employes more technical knowledge in railroading. It is in this direction that the need exists. Numerous and continuous improvements in all departments of railroading are the rule, and these demand more skill and technical knowledge on the part of the employes in every branch of this immensely expanding business.

It is reported that the B. & M. will build this branch of the road from St. Francis to Akron, Col., and that the Kansas City and St. Louis trains will run from Akron to Orleans via St. Francis and Beaver City. The report was obtained from reliable sources, and is given credence for the reason that many improvements have been made in the roadbed of the branch line, this season. All repairs to track and bridges have been made with heavier material than has been used heretofore.

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How Codfish Catch Lobsters.

It is probably news to the majority of people to know that the red, or rock, codfish is a bitter enemy of the lobster that has just crawled out of its shell and is soft and unable to protect himself. During shedding time these lobsters crawl up under projecting rocks, where the seaweed and kelp are thick and where they find protected places in which to go through the process of slipping out of their old shells and taking on a new coat of mail, so to speak.

An old lobster fisherman said that many times he had stopped his dory over a large number of these red codfish and watched their operations. He had even dropped his line down and dangled tempting bait within a few feet of them. Unless it happened to fall directly in front of their noses, however, they would seldom take it, as they were after lobster meat. When the thin shelled lobsters would crawl out from beneath the protecting seaweed, the codfish would dart at them and strike them fierce blows with their tails, disabling them completely. They would then fall to and devour the helpless crustaceans.

His Looks Were Deceptive.

The late Mr. Justice William O'Brien, as is pretty generally known, was not a tailor's model, and when going on a long railway journey his attire was even more neglected than usual, says London M. A. P. Waiting one day for his train to leave Cork, he wandered into the first class refreshment room, his threadbare and faded coat looking the more remarkable when in contrast with the dress of the smart set frequenting the place.

The lady eyed him sharply and superciliously and then snapped out: "Yes, but it's tuppence a glass here. You'll get it for a penny in the third class room."

"Well," returned the judge as amiably as possible, "I think I'll have a glass at 'tuppence' all the same. I can manage to survive the expense."

He took his milk and walked out with an unruffled countenance. But when that young lady heard from some gentlemen who were standing at the bar and knew the judge who her customer was she didn't feel very well. She tried to explain that she thought he was one of those "old farmer fellows who'd stop arguing about the price of the milk for half an hour."

The Boatwain's Judgment.

It was somewhere in this wide, wide world, just where has slipped my mind, and they were about to buy beef on hoof for the ships. So the officer whose duty it is to make the purchase took ashore with him the bo's'n, as representing the crew, to look over the animals and either object or not. They approached the first animal.

"How will that do?" asked the officer. The bo's'n cautiously approached the beast, bent down and gingerly ran his thumb and forefinger down first one shank and then the other until the whole four shanks had been examined. Straightening up he said:

"He'll do all right, sir." The officer, flabbergasted, cried: "But, dash it all, you can't tell the good points of a bullock by the shanks!"

"Perhaps not, sir, but they're the only parts we ever get, sir," was the reply.—Pall Mall Gazette.

His Accent.

One day Lord Morris was sitting at the Four Courts as lord chief justice of Ireland when a young barrister from the north rose nervously to make his first motion. The judge had declared that no one listening to himself would ever take him for anything but an Irishman, which was perfectly correct. But Galway could not understand Antrim. The lord chief justice leaned over to ask the associate where the barrister hailed from.

"County Antrim," was the response. Then asked his lordship of the official, "Did ye ever come across such a frightful accent in the course of yer loife?"

Gaslight on Gems.

The appearance of all fine gems is improved by gaslight. A perfect emerald, despite its color, which in anything else would turn to a dull gluish hue, is only intensified in brilliancy of color by artificial light. The blue sapphire, though darkened, remains true to its color, as by daylight. The alexandrite is the only gem that changes, turning from a dark olive to a brilliant blood red by candle or gas light.

No Difference.

English Customer (to manager of restaurant)—I see, Signor Maraschino, that the American gentleman and his wife, who have just left, drank nothing but water with their dinner. Does that make much difference in their bill? Signor Maraschino—Notting, sir. They pay same as yourself and lady, who 'ave champagne; otherwise 'ow should we live?—London Punch.

An Odd Stip.

Dr. Johnson once met the village postman trudging along the dusty road on a hot summer afternoon. The postman observed that he had still a mile to walk just to deliver one newspaper. "My goodness," exclaimed the sympathetic doctor, "I'd never go all that distance for such a trifle! Why don't you send it by post?"

ELECTION RETURNS. always bring disappointment as well as satisfaction and, while many are jubilant over the results of the recent election, there ARE none more satisfied than those who have participated in the Fall Bargains at Honest John's. Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing, Ladies' Capes and Furs, and a VERY complete stock of Winter Underwear, all at prices that make every garment a bargain, are some of the inducements to the buyer who plans to make a dollar go a long way. Our treatment will be SATISFACTORY. Give Us an Opportunity to Make You a Regular Customer. HONEST JOHN MCCOOK, NEBRASKA.

Burlington Excursion Rates.

Every Tuesday during October and November the Burlington Route will sell tickets at the following remarkably low rates:

Ogden, Salt Lake City, Butte, Helena, and Anaconda, one way, \$23. Round trip, \$40. Return limit, 30 days. Spokane, Tacoma, Seattle, Portland, Victoria and Vancouver, one way, \$28. Round trip, \$43. Return limit, 30 days. Tickets and information at all Burlington ticket offices.—10-26-51s.

Nebraska Dairymen.

The sixteenth annual meeting of the Nebraska Dairymen's association will be held in the dairy building on the State university farm, Lincoln, December 18-20, 1900. Eminent, practical dairymen will be present and offer subjects of interest and importance to the industry. There will be an exhibit of butter and cheese for which liberal premiums will be offered. For programme and other information, address the secretary, S. C. Bassett, Gibbon, Nebraska.

Advertised Letters.

The following letters were advertised by the McCook post-office, November 11: A. P. Smith, W. C. Mollen, D. F. Fuller, Anthony Mitchell, Geo. Kayser, G. E. Hunt (2), Geo. Gunthera, J. F. Cannon, H. G. Miller, Virgle Williams, Jennie Allen, Geo. W. Maxwell, Frank Bellows, Mrs. W. F. Duggan.

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

Cole's Hot Blast.

We are enjoying a great run on Cole's Hot Blast heaters. They give complete satisfaction and command the strongest recommendations from all who use them. S. M. COCHRAN & Co.

There is nothing that a woman appreciates more than she does a good sewing-machine; one that has the latest improvements and attachments. You will find just what you want, and at the right price, at S. M. Cochran & Co.'s.

The McCook Circle No. 33, Ladies of G. A. R., meet the first Saturday of every month in Odd Fellows hall.

SCALE BOOKS—For sale at THE TRIBUNE office. Best in the market.

Stamped Satin.

Assorted colors in 9 square inch blocks, for Fancy Work, Quilts, Book Covers, etc. Each stamped with a neat and graceful design to be worked in silk. 10 cents per package, postpaid. One copy of the great popular song, "For the Flag I Die, Dear Mother," regular 40 cent sheet music, sent free with every package. Address, MRS. E. V. GLANDON, BARTLEY, NEB.

A New England Incident.

The young ladies of the New England conservatory of music in Boston, anticipating woman's suffrage, cast their votes for their favorite candidates on November 6. A participant writes of the unique event as follows: Our scheme for election was somewhat interfered with, but we had a good time nevertheless. We had a parade at 8 o'clock, which was witnessed by the faculty and other visitors. The parade was headed by the speakers and singers. One girl dressed in a long black overcoat, white stockings and rubbers on her feet, a tall silk hat, a long white handkerchief sticking out of one pocket, an old umbrella tied around with a string, and a big bottle of water under one arm, was the representative for Woolley, the Prohibition candidate. McKinley and Bryan each had a speaker, also a singer for each side. Next came the band. The leader was dressed in a regular drum major's costume, and the band, numbering ten, wore white dresses, red ties, and blue sashes. Our instruments were combs. We made a heap of noise. Following the band came the Democratic party, with all sorts of banners and inscriptions, about fifty strong. After this the drum corps with six small drums and a fife.

Following the drum corps marched the Republican party, about one hundred and fifty strong, all dressed in blankets, hair down their backs, and faces painted like Indians. Each squad of twenty had a captain dressed in uniform. Two policemen, dressed in policemen's coats and hats, tried to keep order. We marched down the main hall to Sleeper hall where we held a rousing meeting. The hall was decorated with placards of the respective parties, and great was the excitement when the leaders came in and placed the pictures of their favorites on the stage. The Republican leader happened to put her picture of McKinley so that it partly covered Bryan's. In a second a dozen Bryanites were on the stage and had McKinley's picture torn down. Then ensued a lively tussle, and the two policemen were found inadequate to the task before them. Order was finally restored, and the she was greeted with a continual hiss; we outnumbered them so much that we had things our own way. When the McKinley girl spoke she could scarcely be heard for the continual cheering for McKinley. Woolley's speech was very witty. The yelling all during the meeting was something terrible. We ended with an election. The following is the ballot:

Official Ballot. Election of 1000: Martha Washington Smith, Secretary of State. City of New England, County of Conservatory, State of Music. Make a cross (x) against the candidate's name. Vote for one. Bryan, Democratic..... 47 McKinley, Republican..... 47 Woolley, Prohibition..... 104 The result of our election was sent to Mr. McKinley by telegram. No doubt he was greatly relieved.

MCCONNELL'S BALSAM CURES COUGHS