McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 28, 1900.

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The Corn Stalk Disease.

The Journal has taken occasion in the past to post the farmers of the state as City, Illinois. to the investigations that have been made in the matter of the corn stalk disease among cattle. The matter was pretty thoroughly sifted a few years ago at the experiment station of the university of Nebraska, assisted by an eminent botanist of Ohio, and the discovery was made that there was a certain disease of the corn plant that affected not the stalks so much as the stalk leaves. This disease is of a bacterial origin. The corn plants attacked by this disease do not mature properly but show decay at the root of the stalk and present a rather sickly and spotted appearance. Only parts of fields are usually infected and these are apt to be on low, wet ground,

The bacteria that produce the disease have their habitat in the earth and are H. Boyle, doubtless harmless until they reach the leaves of the corn plant where they undergo a chemical change of some sort that makes them poisonous to cattle, Horses, hogs and sheep seem to be immune from the effects of taking the bacteria into their stomachs just as cattle, horses and sheep are immune to the bacteria that produce cholera in swine. idays at the home of his alma mater,

The bacteria will, however, kill guinea Iowa City, Iowa. pigs and rabbits, and it was by experiments on these that Dr. Billings of the station tested some leaves of corn stalks sent him from a farmer near Grand Island who lost cattle by the disease. The doctor, after finding that the small animals to whom these leaves were fed, died from the effects of the poison, succeeded in isolating the disease germs by cultivation in tubes and on inoculating a half grown calf with the germs, produced all the symptons of the corn stalk

The botanical department of the state university described this disease in a subsequent bulletin from the station as it appears in the corn plant. Very likely an intelligent farmer with these hints could upon a close inspection of a field in which cattle have been infected, before the corn plant had dried up, detect the places where the infection occurs.

The remedy is to gather and burn the infected plants and to avoid planting in a family dinner at Hastings, Christcorn on those spots for a number of years | mas, at the home of her brother, John after the appearance of the infection, Stevens. taking care to have the land drained,

All talk of the corn stalk disease being the result of "smut" or of water drunk by cattle after eating the stalks or of the lack of salt or water for such cattle, has long since been shown to be nonsense by repeated experiments. The disease is exceedingly deadly. The stalk, itself, is harmless-the poison is in the leaves.

An Important Ruling.

A ruling has been made by Land Commissioner Hermann which will have important affect upon entry of public lands under what is known as the reservoir act. The ruling recites that "a declaratory statement, under the act of January 13, 1897, does not withdraw the land covered thereby from other entry."

Under the act in question the interior department has heretofore held that de- over the holiday-season. claratory statements absolved lands filed upon from other entry, and as by filing Peru, Friday night, to be with McCook such declaratory statement and the payment of nominal fees 160 acres could be held by entrymen for two years before commencing construction of reservoirs or other improvements necessary to secure patent, immense areas have been so secured in Western Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and Utah by land-grabbing concerns to the exclusion day night, and assumed a position on of actual settlers. The department be- The Tribune force, Wednesday mornlieves that opening lands taken under ing. Mrs. Luse accompanied him. this act to entry under general land laws will materially check the evil.

Mother Dies of Shock.

BRYAN, O., Dec. 26 .- While Wayne Crowell, aged twenty-four, and Chas. Canan, aged twenty-one were crossing the Wabash railroad tracks near Blakeslee, last night, on their way to a Christ. | the holiday recess here with her brother, mas festivity, they were struck by an C. E. Benedict. express train and instantly killed.

Mrs. Canan was notified of the accident and the shock was so severe that it caused her death.

The mother referred to in the above having had a delightful visit. sad accident is a sister of W. R. Starr of our city, for whom general and profound sympathy is felt by the community.

The Smallpox Stir.

That dreaded disease, smallpox, has Wednesday night, to visit friends. made its appearance in a number of Nebraska cities and towns, and is creating no little uneasiness all over the state.

In Alliance several deaths have occurred, and the public schools have been parted on Wednesday evening for Coloclosed and public meetings prohibited. rado Springs, Colorado, on a visit to an But nearer home-Red Cloud reports

a number of cases. Surely, every reasonable precaution

should be taken by the people and authorities of McCook.

Say, Mister! You should see McMillen's \$1 Bibles.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

C. E. JOHNSON has gone to Wayne

Louis Suess spent Christmas with his children near Crete.

RAY AND PAGE CLUTE are up from Franklin, this week.

MRS A. P. THOMSON made a flying visit to Omaha, Monday.

HARRY CAMPBELL is up from Frank-In for the holiday vacation.

RALPH HAGGARD of Pryor, Montana, was a guest of the Noren home, Monday. MISS NINA DOAN went down to Lincoln, Tuesday night, to be absent about

MISS JESSIE STUTZMAN of Davenport, this state, is the guest of her uncle, C.

MISS SOPHIA SEPMEYER is down from Denver, guest of L. W. Stayner, over the holidays.

COURT REPORTER AND MRS. G. G. EISENHART of Culbertson were city visitors, Saturday. DR. J. B. FICKES is spending the hol-

W. O. NORVAL came off of the road,

close of last week, to be with the family over Christmas-time. MISS ETHEL BARNETT is home from

over the holiday vacation. MISS VERA HILEMAN came out from Omaha, last Sunday night, to enjoy the

Christmas-time at home. MISS ERNINIE RATHBUN, who is attending the Peru normal, arrived home

for the holidays, Friday night last.

Christmas gobbler at the family board. MRS. H. H. TARTSCH went down to Plattsmouth, last Saturday morning on 2, to visit the home-folks for a few

MISS MAGGIE CULLEN was among the home-comers, last Friday night, from Omaha, to celebrate the Christmas-tide

W. J. WALTERS came down from two or three days with relatives and

MRS. EMERSON HANSON and Master Warren came out from Illinois, last Friday night, to spend Christmas week with Mr. Hauson.

MISS KITTIE STANGLAND came up from Lincoln, last Friday evening, and is visiting the home-folks over the holiday vacation.

and is visiting J. H. Yarger and family gret to the injured boy.

MISS MILLIE SLABY came up from relatives and friends during the holiday vacation of the state normal.

FEENY returned to their home in Hastings, Saturday on 12, after visiting friends here for a week or two.

H. B. LUSE arrived in the city, Tues-

L. W. Cox will depart, tonight, for have the management of the affairs of the lumber firm of L. W. Cox & Co.

MISS EVELENA BENEDICT, who is teaching the Intermediate department of the Hubbell public schools, is enjoying

MR. AND MRS. HOWE SMITH arrived home, Thursday morning on second No. 3, from their visit of a month or so in work is not as good as can be made. Castana, Iowa, and other points east,

MRS. C. E. POPE and the two younger children went down to Oxford, yesterday morning, on a short visit to relatives. Miss Ethel went up to Denver on No. 3,

JESSIE AND LOUIS JOHNSON, who have been visiting the old home friends and scenes for the past week or ten days, de-

TREASURER AND MRS. J. B. MESERVE enjoyed their Christmas dinner with their daughter, Mrs. F. M. Kimmell, coming up from Lincoln on 3, Monday night, and returning to the capital on 6, Tuesday night.

Brilliant Fairbury Wedding.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Dec. 25 .- (Special to Lincoln Journal.)-One of the most brilliant weddings of the season occurred at the home of Mrs. J. H. Talleth, this morning at 8:30, the bride being her youngest daughter, Maud E Talleth, and the groom Joseph D. Robb, a prominent traveling man. There were two hundred invitations issued, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. M. Cauffman of the Baptist church, under an arch of holly and mistletoe. Miss Katie Gellatly sang, "Promise Me," and Miss Daisy Talleth, sister of the bride, presided at the piano and played the wedding march. The Misses Maude Glazier of Edgar, Ada Avery, Kate Gellatly and Vina Converse acted as maids of honor. The wedding was solemnized by a ring ceremony and was very impressive. A wedding breakfast was served, the maids of honor assisting.

The guests from abroad were Mr. Cox, brother-in-law of the groom, from St. first of the week, returning on I, Mon-Joe; Mrs. George Weed of Seneca, Kas.; day. Mrs. Dave Holder from Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Champlin of Daykin, and Harry Talleth, brother of the bride, from Phillipsburg, Kas.

The happy couple left at noon for St. Joe, and from there they will go to Albion, Ia., where they will visit the groom's relatives, and from there they will return to Hastings, where they expect to make their home.

Almost a Fatality.

school in Omaha to be with the family Wednesday morning, while attempt ing to catch on behind J. H. Dwyer's dray wagon, a little son of Conrad Krieger who recently bought the G. W. Starr dwelling-house, had a close call for his life, one of his feet being caught in the spokes of the heavy dray and the little fellow being drawn between the O. B. THORGRIMSON arrived from wheel and the wagon box. Mr. Dwyer Lincoln on 3, Friday last, to enjoy his heard his cries and stopped instantly, or the lad would have been pulled around the wheel and terribly injured, if not killed. As it was, he escaped with severe laceration of one of his legs. This should are visiting in Colorado Springs, Colobe a lesson to the children, many of rado, for a week or ten days. whom persist in this dangerous practice, MRS. FRANK KENDLEN participated to the constant uneasiness of the draymen, who have and still are endeavoring to discourage and break up the annoying and dangerous habit of the boys all over the city.

Close Call for His Life. Douglas Wentz had a painful experience, Sunday evening, while out rabbit hunting, which nearly cost him his life, Denver, Tuesday night on 12, and spent and which may result in crippling him permanently. He and Harry Edwards were hunting together; and a rabbit on the Sanborn ranch near Haigler. had been crippled, and was running for a hole, the boys in pursuit, endeavoring to reach it before the wounded "bunnie" could disappear in its hole. In the chase and excitement Edwards' shotgun was discharged, the load at close range entering Wentz's shoulder, which was terribly torn and mangled; his neck was City. also injured somewhat-but not serious-ETHEL PATTERSON arrived from Buf- ly. It was a narrow escape from death, falo Springs, Colorado, last Friday night, and may yet be a source of life-long re-

Resurvey Bill Signed. The bill for the resurvey of township No. 8, in Frontier county, Nebraska, which passed the house and senate, last session, but which was held up by Sena-MISSES ANNA AND GENEVIEVE tor Allen on a motion to reconsider, leaving the whole matter on the desk of the president of the senate, was signed, Sunday-schools at the home of the forclose of last week, by President Pro Tem Frye and now goes to the president for signature. Senator Allen, who entered objection, withdrew his opposition to the bill when it was explained to him. The object of the bill is to get the lines of this township in Frontier county per-Scotts Bluffs, Nebraska, where he will manently settled, so that settlers may proceed with fencing. It is alleged that if government surveyors had done their duty the resurvey would not have been

"You Can See"

A large photograph of your residence, you. It will cost you nothing if the sity at Lincoln.

We are prepared, with a fine new instrument, for this class of work, at the Grande train service at Denver, came Ground Floor Gallery. Please call and down on No. 6, Tuesday night, and is leave your order and we will give it the guest of his sister, Mrs. Adolph prompt attention.



Masquerade Ball.

The masquerage ball, Christmas night, in the opera hall, drew a fair patronage Charles Dewey, clown.

Say, Mister! Have you seen the loud Sox at Morgan's? They just arrived.

RAILROAD NEWS ITEMS.

R. J. Moore was with the family at Franklin Christmas.

Brakeman C. C. Cocher ate his turkey with his parents in Holdrege.

Minden to spend the holidays.

Conductor C. W. Bronson was with nis parents at Minden, Christmas.

Switchman I. B. West is off duty on account of sickness in the family.

his Christmas near Herndon, Kansas.

Brakeman William Hegenberger is with a sister in Omaha, Christmas week. Brakeman R. M. Douglass has gone to

Kansas City and St. Louis for two weeks.

Conductor C. O. LeHew and Brakeman J. W. Gerlinger are on the sick-list. Roy Dixon was down from Denver,

Brakeman A. H. Washburn has gone to Chicago on a ten-days visit to rela-

Chester J. Cox of Red Cloud was a

Engineer J. G. Inglis and family went up to Denver, Monday on I, on a visit of a week or so.

visitor of relatives in the city, close of

Ass't Auditor C. H. Sampson was out from Omaha, Thursday, checking up the boys at this point.

Mrs. Frank Cunningham of Holdrege has been the guest of Mrs. T. F. Enright, the past week or so.

sick and off duty, F. C. Scarborough of McCook is relieving him. J. B. Culbertson has gone to Denver

and is assistant dispatcher in the Burlington headquarters there. Brakeman M. C. Wayson and father

Conductor Eph. Benjamin's children, Agnes and Paul, are visiting the grand-

parents at Riverton, this week. Chief Dispatcher Forbes has been on the sick-list, part of the week, and Dis-

patcher Mills has been acting chief. Conductor J. F. Custer and wife were Blue Springs, Nebraska, and Kansas City, Mo., visitors, during the week.

Conductor L. S. Watson and family factory to all, young and old. are spending part of the holiday season

E. A. Owen, formerly on this division in the train service, is here on a visit to his brother, Conductor A. E. Owen. Neal Beeler and Worth Humphreys

are new brakemen, this week. Mrs. Beeler joined him, Monday, from Beaver Conductor C. J. Snell is relieving Con-

ductor C. O. LeHew on the Hastings-Oberlin run, during the illness of the

The Havelock shops have just turned of twelve fast passenger locomotives being built there.

Mrs. T. B. Campbell and Miss Sarah Oyster will entertain their respective mer, this evening.

The company is successfully experimenting with acetylene gas on passenger o'clock, the young couple approaching trains I and 6. Economy and better the wedding station to a march played service are claimed for it over the Pintsch | by the bride's sister, Miss Eunice.

Conductor H. C. Brown has been transferred from the Hastings-Oberlin run to the main line out of McCook. Conductor T. H. Malen has his run temporarily.

surveying outfit south-west of Billings, either the interior or exterior, if you Montana, having some time since retired call at once and ask us to make it for from his studies in the Nebraska univer-

> Walter Duffey, who is now in the Rio Mangless, for a few days. .

General Sup't T. E. Calvert and Sup't Campbell, each in their respective private cars, forming a special train, started over the Western division, Wednesday, on a tour of inspection. Conductor Colorado Midland service, Frank Rank had the train in charge.

"It is reported the management of the and provided much pleasure and mer- Burlington road has formulated a plan foremanship of the shops at Alliance riment for all. First prizes for ladies for the refunding, after January I, of all will be learned with keen regret. Mr. went to the Misses Coleman, who repre- the bonded debt now drawing interest Wells has made an enviable reputation sented dinas; first gentleman's prize to at 7 per cent per annum. A large with the company and the men under amount of high interest bonds are sub- him at this place, and the family a warm effecting the nurse fund at the next ject to retirement on six months call by place in the hearts of all who have met meeting of the lodge, Monday, December the company and others are optional." them. He will assume the new position, 31st. All members are requested to be -Chicago Record.

Christmas Bells.

Christmas bells never rang more merrily for McCook than they did on this last Christmas of the 19th century. There were observances in almost all of the churches, and suspension of business I. G. Schobel and family have gone to during most of the day. We give in brief the exercises in the various churches of the city:

CONGREGATIONAL.

The simple celebration in the Congregational church was held on Christmas eve. The decorations were pretty, but Brakeman John Hegenberger spent no attempt at elaboration was made. Ropes of evergreens were stretched across the church and holly branches and berries were displayed on the window casings. A house formed the principal attraction and a small tree added its mite. After a short programme of music and recitations by the children, Santa Claus distributed candies, presents etc. to all, which brought to a close an occasion especially delightful to the children.

METHODIST.

There was the usual programme of declamations, recitations and music by the young people, Christmas eve, but the chief attraction of the occasion was the Ferris wheel containing the presents and the treat. The wheel was truly a the circle and post, G. A. R., tomorrow novelty and a surprise, standing fourteen one week. feet high and carrying 36 little cars freighted with good things, a treat for all and many presents from relatives to or "Monarch." relatives, friends to friends. The wheel was handsomely decorated and was a joy to every youthful heart.

EPISCOPAL.

The Christmas observances commenced with the celebration of the Holy Communion on Sunday morning at an Switchman P. A. Perry of Akron is early hour. On Christmas eve, the church choir and others drove over the city, singing Christmas carols. The regular Sunday-school exercises were not held until Wednesday evening.

BAPTIST.

A Christmas tree and musical-literary exercises of an appropriate character were provided on Christmas eve, and enjoyed by a goodly audience of young and old. The young folks came in for a generous treat, and withal the affair was joyous, merry and full of good-will.

GERMAN CONGREGATIONAL. A Christmas tree and suitable exercises were participated in by the members of the German Congregational people, Christmas eve. There was a large attendance and the affair was most satis-

CATHOLIC. Three Masses, at 7,9 and 10:30 o'clock, Christmas day, solemnized the great occasion to all pious Catholic hearts. There was special music. There were no Christmas exercises by the Sundayschool children this year,

CHRISTIAN.

There were no special Christmas services in the Christian church, which fact will in part be atoned for, next Sunday morning.

Higby-Goheen.

A very pretty wedding was that of Mr. Joseph W. Higby of Spokane, Wash., out engine No. 90, the eighth of the series and Miss Jennie K. Goheen of Driftwood precinct, at the farm home of Samuel G. Goheen, last evening. Rev. L. M. Grigsby of the Methodist church performed the ceremony in the presence of lived here, but who for a number of about 25 neighbors and friends. Mr. Clarence Goheen and Miss Grace Brin- N. Y.

ton stood up with the young couple. The ceremony was performed at eight

A splendid wedding supper followed

the ceremony. They were nicely remembered by their relatives and friends with useful and pretty tokens.

An uncle and daughter from Missouri, Rev. and Mrs. L. M. Grigsby, Mr. and utation of the market for selling the Ernest Cordeal is with a Burlington Mrs. A. McMillen of our city were choicest of everything in their line, among the guests.

They left on this morning's train for Belvidere, where they will visit relatives. Congratulations and hearty wellwishes!

ADDITIONAL RAILROAD NEWS.

Brakeman T. J. Joy is being visited by

his brother, M. C. Joy. George Newland and Josephine Russell, both of Indianola.

lington office at Denver, is now in the tion to be the permanent home of that

The appointment of Foreman M. E. Wells of the machine-shop to the general perity and are threatened with plutoc--a promotion-first of the new year.

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS.

Overcoats at DeGroff & Co.'s,

For clothing go to DeGroff & Co.'s.

It's sure-McMillen's Cough Cure. The very latest designs in lamps at

McMillen's, You should see McMillen's latest de-

signs in lamps. Say, Mister! You should see McMil-

len's \$1 Bibles.

Don't fail to see the bargains in Wall-Paper at Loar's.

Coal hod and shovel for 15 cents at S. M. Cochran &. Co.'s.

"Show me" a better Hat than the "Tiger"-sold only by Morgan. You can phone your orders to S. M.

SCALE BOOKS-For sale at THE TRIB-UNE office. Best in the market.

Wall-Paper! Wall-Paper! The great-

Cochran & Co. for alfalfa hay.

est bargains ever offered are found at The Straight Front is the newest in corsets. You will find them at DeGroff

There will be a joint installation of

If you want a good Shirt you can get it at Morgan's by buying the "Eclipse"

WANTED-To rent, two or three rooms for light house-keeping. Leave word at this office. There is a difference in meats of all

kinds. Church & Marsh sell the good kind-that's all. Have you seen the new "Dunlap" or "Knox" Hats for this fall? If not, you

Frank M. Lord and Mary Lamb were married at Kansas City the other day. May he temper the wind to her.

can at Morgan's.

the Courier has recently taken a strong silent partner in the business. The McCook Circle No. 33, Ladies of

It is rumored that E. J. Mitchell of

G. A. R., meet the first Saturday of every month in Odd Fellows hall. Mothers had better look us up for children's fine Suits and Reefers.

MORGAN, The Leading Clothier. FOR SALE-A Chickering piano, a large book-case and a few other articles

of furniture at residence of S. Cordeal. Calendars for 1901 are being placed in circulation. They are for the most part handsome, 20th-century calendars, too.

solicitous for the ladies, and not insist upon arraying them in August costumes in December. Lost-A black collarette with green

silk lining, between Loar's store and the

post-office. Finder please return to J.

The calendar makers ought to be more

H. Grannis and receive reward. Christmas is gone and is only a pleasant memory now, but the Great Majestic is a joy forever-in season and out. You

are always in it with a Majestic range.

J. H. Bennett has sold his cigar business to A. A. Hackman, who formerly years has been living in Long Branch, With the dawning of the new century

a number of Eastern manufacturing establishments will begin to share profits with employes but the proprietors will keep the books. There has been a slight change in firm name at Everist, Marsh & Co.'s meat market, but the old winning ways and

reliable goods are unchanged. Church

& Marsh will more than sustain the rep-

Colonel Mitchell of the Courier has no hesitancy in claiming that the fine business enjoyed by the merchants of Mc-Cook, this gladsome Christmas-tide, is chargeable to advertising in the Courier. The colonel should borrow the electric light campany's pair of smoke-stacks to cover his ears.

The old U. S. land office building on North Main has been purchased by E. J. Mitchell of the Courier. The building Roy Dixon, who has been in the Bur- is being repaired and placed in condipaper. The price paid for the lot and building is \$500. Even the Populist editors can't escape the McKinley pros-

Notice, A. O. U. W:

There will be important business C. B. GRAY, Recorder.