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REPUBLICAN TICKET.

State.

For Justice of Supreme Court,
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WILLIAM G. WHITMORE of Douglas.

Judicial.

For Judge Fourteenth Judicial District,
R. C. ORR of Hayes Center.

County.

County Clerk.....E. J. WILCOX
Treasurer.....B. G. GOSSARD
Sheriff.....R. W. DEVOE
County Judge.....C. CRABTREE
Superintendent.....S. L. GREEN
Surveyor.....EUGENE S. DUTCHER
County Assessor.....JAMES WILLIAMS
Coroner.....F. P. ENO
Commissioner—Second district.....DR. A. C. HARLAN
Commissioner—SAMUEL PRIMER

THE fusion hosts can't head him—
Judge R. C. Orr.

REPUBLICANS, let us line up, next Tuesday, score a decisive victory, and be ready for a great Roosevelt victory in 1904!

DR. S. L. GREEN will continue in the county judge's office by the grace of the majority of the voters of Redwillow county as expressed at the polls, next Tuesday.

ABOUT the reelection of County Clerk Wilcox there hangs no doubt. His services, the past two years, have been satisfactory to a degree that makes assurance doubly sure.

F. P. ENO, the Republican nominee for county assessor, was over from Danbury, last Saturday, and created a very favorable impression upon the businessmen of the city and all others who met him. He is wideawake, intelligent, coolheaded, in fact has the necessary qualities to make a careful, conservative, honest and conscientious county assessor.

BEN GOSSARD has a long and most efficient official record to back up and recommend his candidacy for the important office of county treasurer. In every such capacity Ben has always given a good account of his stewardship. As deputy to Treasurer Thompson he has given especial proof of his ability to serve Redwillow county well and faithfully as treasurer.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT DUTCHER has passed the experimental stage. He has successfully and satisfactorily filled the office during the past two years, has given the public schools close and intelligent and conscientious service. The schools of the county have progressed and improved under his administration. He seeks and deserves a reelection. THE TRIBUNE hopes and believes the voters of Redwillow county will give it him by a comfortable plurality.

THERE are good and sufficient reasons why the Republican voters of Redwillow county shall support the party nominees at the polls, next Tuesday, and no excuses for failure to fulfill duty in this respect. The candidates before the people are well qualified for the positions they seek. As men they are honorable citizens and deserving in every particular. Let no Republican voter fail of his duty. Come out to the polls, support the nominees and victory will perch high upon our banner.

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It will Hon. J. B. Barnes, justice of the supreme court, after next Tuesday.

DR. A. C. HARLAN will be our next coroner and James Williams the county's new surveyor.

SHERIFF CRABTREE can read his title clear to another term in the sheriff's office, that's evident.

SAMUEL PRIMER is the Republican nominee for commissioner for the Second district, and his election seems to be one of the foregone conclusions of the campaign. He is one of the steady and reliable farmers of the county, and a dependable citizen for membership on the board of county commissioners.

If you wish to have a bounty for the destruction of wild animals you should vote for the bounty at the end of the county ticket and just before the precinct ticket on the ballot. To carry it must have a majority of all votes cast. If you do not vote on the matter at all it is practically against allowing a bounty.

THE candidacy of Robert W. Devoe for clerk of the district court is being well received over the county and reliable indications are to the effect that his plurality will be safe and conclusive, next Tuesday. He is qualified to make the county an efficient, accommodating, reliable and prompt clerk of the court, as his excellent service as deputy county clerk is an earnest. Vote for him.

DANBURY.

Pete Lehn is building a fine house in town.

Ed Ruby is building a nice kitchen addition to his house.

Mr. Simonson of Iowa is building a fine house north of town.

Thomas Musgrove commenced building his large farm house this week.

Emil Quorders has quit his position on the section and moved out of town.

A baby boy to Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher, Monday. All concerned doing well.

Mr. Cantrall and wife, agent of the Burlington at Kanona, were at Mr. Greenway's, Sunday.

A boy baby to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Musgrove, Wednesday. Grandad Bill Shockley steps high now.

Dr. Minniear is fencing his 400-acre bottom farm hog tight. He is one of our esteemed citizens and owns one of the best farms on the Beaver.

We read in the World-Herald of great Democratic enthusiasm. Out here our saloon men call it "sour mash." There is nothing in a name you know.

A good jeweler is badly needed here to take up the work of U. S. Leisure, deceased. A splendid chance. Cannot be excelled in Western Nebraska.

Mose Young is encased in the post-office. He can now sympathize with "Bascom at the cross roads." In conclusion prosperity reigns supreme.

Jesse Nadej returned to Franklin Academy, Monday, and Lloyd Naden returned to the Grand Island college today. We wish the boys abundant success.

We are informed that a Mr. Schneider of Jerusalem, is going to build and put in a butcher shop between the saloon and blacksmith shop. My, my, won't he think he is in—New Jerusalem occasionally.

Two funerals, a wedding, 3 attachment suits, a Saturday night dance, a show and Miss Quick looking after her political fences, certainly should set people about here to thinking. The lady did not call and kiss me and I will not vote for her.

PROSPECT PARK.

Samuel Ball made a business trip to Danbury, Tuesday.

Mr. Webber and wife from Aurora, Illinois, have been visiting at W. H. Cratty's.

J. H. Wade and aunt Mrs. Woods visited relatives in Danbury, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Charles Shears has returned from visiting her parents in Johnson county, this state.

Clifford Dunham and wife and Friend Huff and family are visiting at Eugene Dunham's.

William Adams has moved onto the James Boatman farm and is very busy hauling feed.

Rev. J. E. Terrill will begin revival meetings at the Prospect Park school house, Sunday evening, November 1st. All are invited.

Mrs. Mary L. Woods of Maynard, Iowa, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. R. M. Wade the last two weeks, departed for home, Tuesday morning.

PUBLIC FREE LIBRARY NOTES.

This year, marking the 100th anniversary of the acquisition of Louisiana by the United States, has revived interest in the history of that vast region of which our state forms a part. To know the chronicles of Nebraska, so far as the deeds of civilized men are concerned, we must also know the story of Louisiana. Aside from the negotiations that resulted in the purchase, the early history will be found in the narratives of the adventurers and explorers who crossed the plains before the days even of stage lines.

Probably none of these accounts is better written than Astoria, by Washington Irving, an author who, by the way, seems somehow most unfortunately to have gone out of fashion. He was one of the first American authors to be read and appreciated in England, yet he is, in this day, too little known in the land of his nativity. His works possess a charm peculiar to themselves, and it is difficult to understand why he is not more widely read.

Irving's Astoria is the history of the founding of that first American colony on the Pacific slope. It contains an account of the party that made the long overland trip through a country that had, up to that time, probably, been untrodden by white men. The valley of the Platte was the great highway to the west, and the little band that went by land, pursued the usual course. Irving does not recount his own adventures, but takes his material from the diaries and records of the expedition.

Another and perhaps better book for our purposes is the Oregon Trail, by Parkman. This is the story of a trip across the plains made by the author in the summer of 1845. It has the advantage of being a personal narrative. Parkman went by the Platte valley route, and while he spent most of the season across the border, in Wyoming, the line is an arbitrary one,—one, moreover, that had no existence then, and his account will apply, with equal fidelity, to Nebraska.

Irving was not unfamiliar with this western world, for he himself made a long expedition into the trans-Mississippi country in the early days, and described his trip in Tour of the Prairies. It may be doubted whether he came as far north as this. He was on a hunting excursion, and probably confined himself to the territory now known as Oklahoma.

Parkman has written other books which, while not touching Nebraska, treat of subjects with which all who desire to know the history of their own country should be familiar. One of the most interesting of these is LaSalle and the Discovery of the Great West. This author covers periods and countries not embraced within the scope of any other writer's works, and for this reason his books are not only entertaining, but extremely valuable. To almost every man, however much or little of the student may be included among his qualities, the story of the occurrences of the past is of absorbing interest.

Our own state is not without a history, but the stray ends of the record must be gathered from many sources. Some authorities assert that Coronado crossed what is now our southern boundary. Whether he did or not cannot be established, but if he came within Nebraska at all, his path must have led not very far from where we live. Many other explorers did cross the state, however, and while we would like to claim the distinction of having been discovered by the adventurous Spaniard, we should be content to restrict ourselves to accounts that are not only authentic, but that leave us in no doubt.



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Still More About Vaccination.

EDITOR TRIBUNE:—In reply to my article on the subject vaccination, Dr. Beach says he read with surprise the position taken by me.

His object seems to be to create the impression that my opposition to vaccination is unprecedented and should be ignored and frowned upon by the people.

In keeping with the spirit of the century to which he appeals for his inspiration, he fears the education of the people. The advocates of vaccination know as did the Jesuits of old that education is the death of superstition. Hear him—"I am deeply grieved that such views as those given in aforesaid article exist in this present day." Now observe why he is so distressed—"for they influence the people who are not versed in vaccination." How in the name of common sense does he expect us to become versed on the subject?

He tells us further on "vaccinate and get your own results." You see his idea of an education is that of the rain maker—let us experiment on you at so much per head and then you take your chances.

The fact is, the followers of the 18th century fad are becoming demoralized all along the line, at its waning popularity among the people.

Dr. Beach says this question was settled in 1798.

It seems that the English people are not as well satisfied that it was settled right as Dr. Beach is, as Queen Victoria appointed a commission to investigate the subject as late as 1889, composed of 8 of the most distinguished medical men of England and quite a number of eminent men in other professions. This commission we are told spent more than 7 years in its investigation, held 136 meetings, examined more than 200 witnesses and investigated six epidemics, which had occurred in recent years. It is from the evidence, presented in the majority report of this commission that I base many of my indisputable facts. I want to ask how it was possible for wise men to have settled this question in 1778 when it was in that very year that Dr. Jenner vaccinated his first subject? The doctor says "As far as statistics go to prove the point etc., intimating that he does not depend to any great extent on statistics to bolster up his side of the question." Let me ask on what he does base his argument if not on statistics? As there is no sense in it he certainly cannot reason it out by any principles of logic. As I understand it the advocates of the "simple precaution" are confined to statistics and statistics alone. He says Sweden lost 2,050 per 1,000,000 before they commenced to vaccinate and after vaccination 158. Admitting this to be true how does it look by the side of the further fact. That after almost three quarters of a century of vaccination she lost 10,290 in one year 1874? The fallaciousness of the argument will become apparent when we observe that this average loss of 158 per year was practically all in the one year of 1874.

The last small-pox epidemic that has struck Sweden we find that 65x158 equals 10,270. Sixty-five years was about the length of time that Sweden had been vaccinating when the great epidemic of 1874 struck her. It seems plain that Dr. Beach aims to pull the wool over our eyes by his sophistical methods. His German statistics are subject to the same criticism and just as readily disposed of; why does he confine himself to 1883 and 1888? This is in keeping with the usual methods of a bad cause suppression of real important facts and exaltation of those which do not bear on the subject. That they had little or no small-pox in Berlin or London in those years mentioned is not at issue. He should be able to show if his position is correct that vaccinated people do not have small-pox at any time. My position is that vaccination does not protect from small-pox which I proceed to prove.

The German army is one of the best examples of perfect vaccination and is often referred to by the vaccinationists for its immunity from small-pox. The London Advertiser of November 24, 1870, reports "small-pox is making still greater havoc in the ranks of the Prussian army which is said to have 30,000 small-pox patients in its hospitals;" these were all vaccinated and re-vaccinated. The New York Medical Journal, July 15, 1899, contains an article by Charles Ruata, M. D., professor of Hygiene and Materia Medica of Perugia, Italy, entitled "Vaccination in Italy." He says "Italy is one of the best vaccinated countries in the world if not the best of all. Our young men with few exceptions must enter the army at the age of 20 years, where they are by a regulation compelled to be vaccinated. For 20 years before 1885 our nation was vaccinated in the proportion of 98.5 per cent. Notwithstanding the epidemics of small-pox we have had have been so frightful that nothing before the invention of vaccination could equal them." As Dr. Beach says "So far as statistics go to prove the point" I think I have quoted sufficient. Vaccination is the direct descendant of inoculation. Inoculation was believed in and practiced by the same scientific gentlemen who settled the vaccination question soon after Jen-

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