

## The McCook Tribune.

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### BOX ELDER.

A. W. Campbell is visiting, this week with his son near Osburn.

Charles Foye built an addition to T. M. Campbell's granary, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Lytle visited with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Masters, last Sunday.

Fern, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Wilson, is quite sick with bronchitis.

W. B. Sexson attended the funeral of his grandmother at Holbrook, last Thursday.

The proceeds of the basket supper at the church, last Friday night, were twelve dollars and a half.

Rev. Kerr. closed his meetings at Spring Creek, last Sunday evening. There were twelve conversions.

Fred Carter threshed cane and millet latter part of last week for George Shields, W. F. Satchell and S. C. King. This week he threshed for J. K. Gordon and F. G. Lytle.

South Box Elder is having quite a boom. 46 new houses in Bolles' addition, the past two months. A few choice lots for sale. Inquire of Frank Lytle, the real estate man.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Boyce old settlers of this neighborhood expects to leave soon to take possession of a farm in Kansas. Last Monday evening about seventy-five of their friends gave them a farewell party. A very enjoyable time was reported.

### SOUTH SIDE.

W. S. Fitch has built a large granary and has stored away all of his grain.

Bill Little is now completing a barn of the modern type on the Ferguson ranch.

John Burtless and McDonald have been looking over the school house anticipating some repairs.

Mrs. Howe Smith of McCook was the guest of Mrs. C. H. Jacobs, Tuesday of this week.

Marsh & Wilcox are feeding a bunch of cattle on beet tops purchased of Henry Brenning on the Fahrbrunck place.

G. H. Rowland who has had a siege of pneumonia received a check drawn on relief fund from the Conservative Life Insurance Co. This is evidence of their integrity.

The sugar beet grower's association will meet in the Fitch school house on Feb. 3rd, 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of the completion of a contract under which to consolidate the Republican Valley under one head.

J. W. Randal gave a farewell party to the neighbors and friends of this vicinity, Wednesday evening, the feature of amusement was dancing and games. All report a good time, departing with one regret and that was that they were losing a good citizen and neighbor. Mr. Randal will move onto their place in Gerver precinct as soon as their buildings are completed.

### COLEMAN.

Frank Coleman went down to Cambridge on Wednesday.

Miss Mary Williams of Perry spent Saturday night with Maude Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. Bandyand Mr. Griffiths went down to Cambridge Tuesday.

Maude Coleman was to have a month's visit to the homefolks. At the end of two weeks she received a letter to return to St. Paul at once.

When Maude Coleman started for St. Paul, Minn., last Tuesday morning, she got to McCook as the train pulled in, but the ticket office was locked, and the train pulled out before she could get a ticket and get her trunk checked.

### RED WILLOW.

Charlie Rinck's little baby has been quite sick, but is better now.

Mrs. Eva Randel is about well again, having had a tussle with grip.

Mrs. Lon Miller has been very ill. He has been in Missouri and just got back.

Mrs. Rozell, Mrs. Smith's mother is visiting her. Mr. Rozell will come later.

Mr. Bellair expects the plasterers this week, when they can go on their own place.

Mr. Whitmore is putting up ice. The winter has been so mild the ice is not as thick as we generally put up.

Mrs. Clark looks much improved by her visit to her daughter in Kansas. It helps all us women to stop work and take a rest.

### BIRD JOURNEYS.

Small Animals Often Travel on the Backs of Large Ones.

It has often been asked how small and weak birds manage to fly such enormous distances when migrating. As a rule, however, small birds that have come very far across the sea have not flown, but have been blown over during violent gales, and many of them arrive on land in a half dead condition.

In fair weather small birds make long journeys successfully over considerable tracts of ocean, but the reason is that they are carried on the backs of the larger ones. When passing an autumn in Crete a writer asserts that he distinctly heard the twittering of small birds when flocks of sand cranes were passing overhead on their way to southern shores. On another occasion, when firing a gun, he saw three small birds rise from the flock and disappear again among the cranes. A native priest assured him that they came over from Europe with them, while it has been found that small birds, never before seen in certain parts, have been brought thither at times of migration.

Another cause is that small birds do not make their journeys in one flight. They generally rest during the day, searching for food, and thus proceed to their destination by easy stages.

### THE PEARL WORKERS.

A Bethlehem Industry Which Is Five Hundred Years Old.

The chief industry of Bethlehem of Judaea is that of the mother-of-pearl workers.

The shells are brought from the Red sea and in the hands of native artisans are polished and carved, the larger into elaborate designs. The smaller are cut up for rosaries and crosses. The work is all done by hand, and the methods are amazingly primitive to a spectator from the home of steam and electric power. But the results are extraordinary. The largest shell we saw was carved in scenes from the birth of Christ, the agony in the garden and the crucifixion, and had the general effect of delicate frostwork. Under the magnifying glass every detail was seen to be perfect in outline and in finish. It was executed to order for a wealthy American and was to cost \$160.

About 150 people make a living by this industry, which is 500 years old. In the shops the workmen sit upon the floor, their benches in front of them. The air is full of whitish dust, and the light admitted by the single window and the open door is so dim that the exquisite tracery of the wrought shells is a mystery even before the visitor notes how few, simple and crude are the instruments employed.—Marion Harland in Lippincott's.

### THE CALM BAD MAN.

He Is More Dangerous than the One Who Blusters.

The bad man of genuine sort rarely looked the part assigned to him in the popular imagination. The long haired blusterer, adorned with a dialect that never was spoken, serves very well in eastern fiction about the west, but that is not the real thing. The most dangerous man was apt to be quiet and smooth spoken. When an antagonist blustered and threatened, the most dangerous bad man only felt rising in his own soul, keen and stern, that strange exultation which often comes with combat for the man naturally brave. A western officer of established reputation once said to me while speaking of a personal difficulty into which he had been forced: "I hadn't been in anything of that sort for years, and I wished I was out of it. Then I said to myself, 'Is it true that you are getting old and have lost your nerve?' Then all at once the old feeling came over me, and I was just like I used to be. I felt calm and happy, and I laughed after that. I jerked my gun and shoved it into his stomach. He put up his hands and apologized. 'I will give you a hundred dollars now,' he said, 'if you will tell me where you got that gun.' I suppose I was a trifle quick for him."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

### Consideration.

Jimson—Now, you wouldn't marry me, would you? Miss Sears—Most certainly not. But why do you ask such a question? Jimson—Just to decide a bet.

Let no man think lightly of good, saying in his heart it will not benefit me. Even by the falling of water drops a water pot is filled.—Buddha.

## Gossip About A Quartet Of Governors



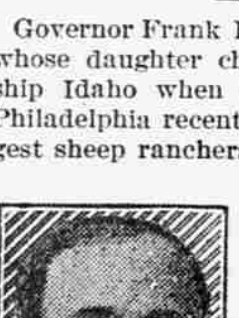
J. O. DAVIDSON, WISCONSIN.

JAMES O. DAVIDSON, who succeeded Robert M. La Follette as governor of Wisconsin when the latter took his seat in the United States senate, has had a very striking career. About thirty-four years ago a boy of eighteen landed at Castle Garden carrying all his worldly possessions done up in a bundle and slung from a stick over his shoulder. In Norway, the faraway land from whence he came, the only education he had received was from religious teachers who traveled from farm to farm. At the age of eleven he had learned by heart the three books that were used. He reached Madison, Wis., penniless and friendless and in debt for the money that paid his passage to America. He worked on a farm, learned the tailor's trade, became clerk in a store and five years after landing opened one of his own at Soldiers' Grove, Crawford county. In 1892 he made his bow in politics and entered the legislature, where he introduced bills taxing corporations. He was elected state treasurer in 1898 and lieutenant governor in 1902, being re-elected in 1904. His fellow citizens of Scandinavian extraction call him "Yim," and his rise in life has not increased the proportion of his head.

Governor Beckham of Kentucky, who is charged by Senator Blackburn with opening his letters, came to the executive chair owing to the assassination of Governor Goebel in 1900. He ran for lieutenant governor on the ticket with Goebel in 1899 and was only thirty years old when Goebel's death occasioned his induction into the higher office. Despite his youth the people of the state decided to keep him at the head of the commonwealth when he was named for governor in 1903, and his present term will not expire until 1907. The governorship may be said to run in his family. His full name is John Crepps Wickliffe Beckham, and the Wickliffe was put in his name in honor of Governor Charles A. Wickliffe of Kentucky, his mother's father. His mother's brother, Robert C. Wickliffe, was governor of Louisiana, so that, she could describe herself as daughter of a governor, sister of a governor and mother of a governor. Governor Beckham does not drink or even smoke. He is independent and fearless and once faced and broke up an angry mob which was bent on lynching a negro.



J. C. W. BECKHAM, KENTUCKY.



F. R. GOODING, IDAHO.

Governor Frank R. Gooding of Idaho, whose daughter christened the battleship Idaho when it was launched in Philadelphia recently, is one of the largest sheep ranchers in the world, owning about 75,000 of these animals. When he and his wife and daughter journeyed to Philadelphia for the launching ceremony they were accompanied by a party, among the members of which was Colonel W. C. Hunter of the governor's staff. The latter is mayor of

Frozen Dog, Ida., and an editor of its leading paper, called the Howling Wolf. In apologizing for the absence of another of the paper's editors, popularly known as "Grizzly Pete," Colonel Hunter said:

"It's too bad about Pete. He wanted to come east with us; but Pete, you know, is chairman of the Frozen Dog vigilance committee, and there's a stranger in our midst."

One of the most interesting of the group of western governors representing social and political reform is Albert B. Cummins, who has just been criticizing the provisions of Senator Dolliver's railway rate bill. Governor Cummins was pointed out at the Republican national convention of 1900 as the handsomest man on the platform, and the first time he ran for governor of Iowa his opponents called him "Handsome Albert" and the "Des Moines Apollo," hoping to beat him, but it only made him more votes. Governor Cummins from the outset of his political career has been making issues and bringing his party associates around to his way of thinking. He started as a corporation lawyer, but has won his fame as a corporation fighter. He bucked prohibition when the majority of his party in Iowa favored it, and his party associates have now come around to his point of view. He took a stand for tariff revision and reciprocity and is still fighting on that line, and his position as an advocate of curbing the railroads by rate regulation is well known.



A. B. CUMMINS, IOWA.

### HIDDEN GOLD.

The Hoard of Precious Metal That Is Secreted in India.

It would be an immense benefit to all mankind if the stores of gold held by individuals in India could be made available for general use. Ever since the dawn of history that country has been gathering gold and hiding it away. Treasures of almost incalculable value are possessed by many Indian princes. When the maharajah of Burdwan died the stock of gold and silver left by him was so large that no member of the family could make an accurate estimate of it. A report made to the British government by a secret agent stated that on the estate of the defunct potentate were a number of treasure houses, one of them containing three rooms. The largest of these three rooms was forty-eight feet long and was filled with ornaments of gold and silver, plates and cups, washing bowls, jugs and so forth—all of precious metals. The other two rooms were full of bags and boxes of gold mohurs and silver rupees. The door of this and other treasure houses had been bricked up for nobody knows how long.

These valuables, according to an ancient custom, were in the custody of the maharajah's wife, the vaults being attached to her apartments, but none of them was allowed to be opened save in the presence of the master. One vault was filled with ornaments belonging to different gods of the family. The natives of India commonly bury their boards, and among the poorer classes a favorite hiding place is a hole dug beneath the bed. Disused wells are sometimes employed for the same purpose. It is undoubtedly a fact that very many hoards thus deposited are lost forever. Gold is also valued on religious grounds. The gods take up great quantities of gold, silver and precious stones. The temples contain vast amounts of the yellow and white metals. The habit of hoarding seems to have been induced by ages of misgovernment, during which oppression and violence were rife. No feeling of safety existing, it was natural that the natives should adopt the practice of reducing their wealth to a concentrated shape and hiding it.—Brooklyn Eagle.

### POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

The day after you meet the average man he asks you to take sides.

Flattery has a pretty bad name, but it gets better returns than disagreeable candor.

Of this you may be sure—that the black sheep in every family was once the most petted lamb.

When a baby cries in its father's arms he discovers that it is crying because it wants to go to you.

A man never knows until he has fallen into a hole how many paths he might have taken to avoid it.

When two men get their pencils mixed, ever notice how jealously the owner of the longer pencil insists on getting his own back?

Time dies so rapidly that it seems only a few months from the time a boy is crying for a jumping jack until he is paying for it.—Atchison Globe.

### Frog Egg Curiosities.

Frogs' eggs are laid before they really become eggs in the true sense of that word. They are always laid under water and when first deposited are covered with a sort of envelope in the shape of a thin membrane. In this shape they are very small, but as soon as they come in contact with the water they rapidly absorb that element and in so doing go through a queer transformation. The thin membrane containing the little seedlike eggs is quickly changed into great lumps of a clear jelly-like substance, each section joined to the other, the whole forming a string from a few inches to several feet in length. On the inside of each of these lumps of jelly the eggs come to perfection and in due course of time add their quota to the frog population of the world.

### Costly Competitions.

When a new cathedral or a new college is to be built it is well that architects should compete for it, for then, other things being equal, the best man gets the job and the best possible kind of building is assured. Few persons, though, realize what it costs an architect to enter a competition. They do not understand the time and labor that must be devoted to the design, the estimates, etc. There is one firm of architects in this city that spent \$2,500 last year on a single competition. This firm entered ten competitions altogether, winning four of them, and the total cost to it was \$7,000.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

### A Tight Ring.

To remove a tight ring from the finger take a long thread of silk and put one end under the ring and draw it through several inches, holding it with the thumb in the palm of the hand. Then wind the long end of the silk tightly round the finger down to the nail. Take hold of the short end of the silk and, holding it toward the finger, unwind it, and the silk, pressing against the ring, will withdraw it.

### Time Limit Fixed.

"Jane, hasn't that young man gone yet?"  
"He is just going, papa."  
"Jane?"  
"Yes, papa."  
"In precisely sixty seconds you will say, 'He has just gone.'"  
"Yes, papa."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Medical Etiquette.

Medical etiquette, instead of being kept up, as people so often imagine, in the interests of the doctors, is maintained in the interests of the public. It is they, not the doctors, who would suffer most were it done away with.—London Spectator.



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## John Grannis



### DANBURY.

Mr. Graham's son is here visiting.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips of Indianola are here visiting.

Mrs. Lute Wiggins died, Friday, with a cancer of the mouth.

At the school entertainment, Saturday night, they took in \$49.00.

G. B. Morgan is having his tenant house painted and a well put down.

Three cases of small-pox are reported about eight miles south of Lebanon.

Dr. Robinson is having a fine porch added onto the south side of his house.

Mrs. Bussy returned to her old home in Bussy, Iowa, after a short visit here.

Ami Teel of Indianola was in town, Monday, looking after some insurance business.

Misses Alta McCarty, Minnie Nelson and Ruth Waugh of Lebanon visited our schools, Monday.

A. Garten was called to Iowa on the account of his brother's illness. He is expected to die at any moment.

June Dolph is having a fine cave made, 20x60. It is floored, walled and arched with brick and then cemented.

Miss Grace Phillips is unable to teach school, this week, on account of her sickness. Mrs. Eva Grovert of Indianola is taking her place.

B. B. Smiley shipped four car loads of hogs to St. Joe and J. L. Newman one car. E. B. Stiglbauer went with them to purchase his spring stock.

J. L. Sims and E. S. Byfield have bought the Indianola Reporter. Mr. Byfield will run it. He has won many friends during his stay with us and what is our loss is Indianola's gain.

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### LEBANON.

Mrs. Amos Thomas is sick.

Mrs. Mary Nichols has been quite sick.

Mrs. Wm. R. Pennington has another bad attack of sickness.

At the Welborn sale, last week, one span of horses sold for \$317.

Mr. Chas. Bonham and baby returned from Missouri, Friday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac C. Koons, January 26, a ten-pound girl.

John Myers is building a residence just north of the old Sam Kinkaid residence.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Waterman visited, part of the week, with John Lyon's, near Oberlin, Kas.

Frank Horton sold his farming tools etc. and has moved into a new house in Danbury. He will work at the barber trade.

Those attending the play given by the Danbury school, last Saturday evening, report a good time and speak highly of the performance.

Carl Morgan was injured coming home from Danbury, Saturday night. His horse stumbled and fell on him, but he is recovering nicely.

## Ayer's

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