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The county attorneyship is already looming up on the political horizon, with McCook at least two prospective primary candidates—and a possible quartette of them. That ought to make things go some.

It is a marvelous and noteworthy coincidence that the two great Anglo-Saxon races are simultaneously engaged in a similar and large purpose, the result of which will be history-making. In England it is the question of P and Peers. In America the People and Privilege. This reference would be incomplete without the optimistic prophecy of the writer, that in both countries the people will and must ultimately triumph.

Real Estate Filings.

- The following real estate filings have been made in the county clerk's office:
- Mary L. Phillips et cons. to G. W. and Cora A. Roop, wd av qr 13 4-28 \$5,600 00
 - John F. Smith to Sarah J. Hickling, qcd ne qr 5 3 29 1 0
 - William F. Smith to same, qcd to same 1 0
 - Minnie F. Grant et cons. to same, qcd same 1 0
 - George A. and Lewis F. Johnson to Otto Tilgner, agreement se qr 34 3 28 4,500 00
 - Arthur H. Eldredge et ux to J. P. A. Black, wd sa qr 7, n hf ne qr 18 4-30, ne qr 34 2-30 1 0
 - Sarah J. Hickling et cons. to Christian Sellin, wd ne qr 5-3 29 4,000 00
 - Justin A. Wilcox to G. R. Woodworth, all interest in C. R. Woodworth & Company at McCook, Nebraska. Bill of Sale.
 - Elizabeth B. Hart et cons. to George E. Thompson, wd 6 in 24, McCook 1,650 00

Something Nice



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ROUSSEAU'S SHYNESS.

An Experience the Composer Had in a Country Inn.

On one occasion Rousseau composed an opera, which was performed before King Louis XV. and met with the royal approval. The king sent for him, and if he had put in an appearance he would probably have obtained a pension. He was, however, of a retiring disposition and could not bring himself to face the court. To his friends he gave as a reason his republican opinions, but his real reason was his shyness.

Accordingly he fled from the court and sought the privacy of a country inn. While he was there a man came in who began telling the company that he was the celebrated Rousseau and proceeded to give an account of the opera, which, he said, had been performed before the king with great success.

Most men in Rousseau's position would have felt nothing but contempt for the impostor, but this extraordinary man felt only pity and shame. "I trembled and blushed so," he tells us in his "Confessions," "for fear the man should be found out that I might have been thought that I was the impostor." He was afraid that somebody might come in who knew him and expose the pretender. At last he could bear it no longer and slipped out unobserved.

Very few people would treat an impostor like that.—Westminster Gazette.

PENGUINS.

The Comical Way These Queer Birds of the Antarctic Act.

"The resemblance of penguins to human beings is always noticed," says Lieutenant E. H. Shackleton in his book, "The Heart of the Antarctic." "This is partly due to the habit of walking erect. But there are truly a great many human traits about them. They are the civilized natives of these regions, and their civilization, if much simpler than ours, is in some respects higher and more worthy of the name." Of two of the photographs that appear in the book the following remarks are made:

"An emperor penguin, meeting an emperor or men or dogs, bows gravely till his beak is almost touching his breast. Keeping his head bowed, he makes a long speech in a muttering manner, short sounds following in groups of four or five. Having finished the speech, the head is kept bowed a few seconds for politeness sake. Then it is raised, and he describes with his bill as large a circle as the points of his neck will allow. If you have not comprehended he tries again. Meantime his followers are apt to get impatient. They are sure he is acting incorrectly. Then another male will waddle forward, elbow the first aside and repeat the ceremony. Both emperors and adelles move, when the surface is suitable, by tobogganing."

Wild British Cattle.

The wild cattle of Great Britain have become one of the curiosities of the bovine race in England. There are very few herds of them remaining, and most of these are diminishing from a very natural cause. Of course they are confined in parks and are jealously guarded from any admixture of alien blood. They are as wild as buffaloes and are treated in the same way as deer. In color they are white, with red ears, and historians assert that they had a large share in the evolution of the Shorthorn as it is known today. It is certain that the color mentioned very often crops up quite unexpectedly in our pedigree herds. They will probably become extinct in a few years owing to the extreme difficulty of procuring sires unrelated to the herds and yet of the same breed.—Farm and Home.

The Scented Court.

The rage for perfumes reached its height during the reign of Louis XV. Throughout the continent his court was known as the "scented court." It was then the custom when giving a large entertainment for the hostess to inform her guests what particular odor she would use for perfuming her rooms, and each guest would use that odor in making her toilet. At court a different perfume was used for each day of the week. Much more attention was paid to the use of the perfume than to soap and water, and cleanliness was not numbered among the virtues of that age.

How She Escaped.

Pauline, who had been attending school for almost two weeks, was telling of the misbehavior of some of her little classmates. At her mother's question as to whether it had ever been necessary for the teacher to speak to her Pauline answered quickly, "Oh, no, mamma." Then, "She had to speak to all the class but me this afternoon." "Why, what did she say?" "Oh, she said, 'Now, children, we'll all wait until Pauline is in order.'"—Delineator.

Lost Opportunity.

"And you didn't hear of it?" inquired Mrs. Gabbie.

Even Up.

She (sternly)—I heard a noise very late. He (facetiously)—Was it the night falling? She—No, it wasn't. It was the day breaking.—Baltimore American.

Cautious.

Thompson—Suppose a man should call you a liar. What would you do? Jones (hesitatingly)—What sized man?—Jewish Ledger.

ABSOLUTE ZERO.

The Freezing Point of Helium Gas Is Just Above It.

Although familiar to scientists, it is not generally known that the true zero of heat has been determined. By this absolute zero is meant a temperature which cannot get any colder which means that no heat whatever exists or can exist at that point. The point is only about 450 degrees below the zero of our ordinary Fahrenheit thermometers or 273 degrees below the zero centigrade. To realize what it signifies a few words must be placed here defining heat itself.

Heat is caused simply by the thousands of little molecules in any body or thing vibrating very fast and thus sending out waves into the ether. When these waves strike any matter they cause that matter to become hot as we say. Now, the faster these molecules vibrate the more heat is given out and the hotter is the body itself. The slower the molecules vibrate the colder the body. So, if a condition could be reached where the molecules did not vibrate at all, why, there could be no heat, and therefore the body would be absolutely cold. This condition of affairs is reached at the above mentioned number of degrees below our ordinary scales. It is needless to say, however, that this absolute zero of heat has never been attained on this earth, the closest ever reached by man being one degree above it. This is 272 below zero centigrade and is the freezing point of helium gas, which a German professor claims to have frozen at that temperature.

From this theory of heat a peculiar view is obtained of our bodies and articles of matter. We would find, if we had a microscope to see small enough, that every bit of matter at any temperature that we can now get is a seething mass of moving molecules and vibrating particles. One proof of this is when a metal expands on becoming warmer. If we weigh it we find that a hot body weighs no more than the same body cold, yet it gets larger, both longer and broader. To do this it must be composed of moving particles that on becoming excited get farther apart. Another proof is that liquids and gases have been forced through every solid that exists almost. Thus water has been forced through lead, sulphur dioxide through iron, etc. The computed size of these molecules is rather interesting. It is claimed that if a drop of water represented the earth the number of molecules in the drop would be about equal to the number of grains of sand in the earth.—Exchange.

Changing Her Mind.

By an unwritten law it is held to be the privilege of woman to change her mind, a license of which she rarely fails to avail herself. The German proverb has it that "women are variable as April weather." According to an old English adage, "A woman's mind the winter winds change oft." In Spain it is much the same: "Women, wind and fortune soon change, and she can laugh and cry both in a wind." The old Latin poet Catullus was of opinion that "what a woman says to her ardent lover ought to be written on the winds or on running water." Even the gallant Sir Philip Sidney wrote: "He water plows and soweth in the sand and hopes the flickering wind with net to hold." Who hath his hopes laid on a woman's hand.—Kansas City Star.

A High Day.

"Yassah, I suttigly would do dat job for yo', colonel, and proud o' de chance to extinguish muhse'f. Would borrow right in on it dis minute, sah, if 'twuzn't for one thing," said a certain lopsided colored citizen who was so unafraid of manual labor that he would often fall asleep in its presence, "and dat is, sah, dat I never likes to stigmatize muhse'f by working on a hollerday."

"Why, this is not a holiday," returned the would be employer.

"Yassah! 'Tis wid me, if you'll dars 'skuse me, sah. It's de university o' de day muh oldest boy was done sent to de penitentiary."—Puck.

Wild Animals in New York City.

It is a remarkable fact that there are always more wild animals about than any but the expert has an idea of. For example, there are within twenty miles of New York city fully fifty different kinds—not counting birds, reptiles or fishes—one-quarter of which at least are abundant, or more particularly within the limits of Greater New York there are at least a dozen species of wild beasts, half of which are quite common.—Country Life in America.

Getting Used to 'Em.

"I just have heard of the arrival of the third child in the Jones family," remarked the woman. "The announcement of the firstborn was made by beautifully engraved cards tied with tiny white ribbon, the second was by telegraph, and this third one, though a much wished for boy, was made merely by a postal card."—New York Press.

She Could Talk.

Cynicus—That girl never says much, does she? Sillicus—Why, she talks all the time. Cynicus—That doesn't alter my contention.—Philadelphia Record.

Doubted the Statistics.

"How did Harkins act when he heard he had triplets in his family?" "He could hardly believe his own census." Boston Transcript.

Our wealth is often a snare to ourselves and always a temptation to others.—Cotton.

MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

A. C. HIPPLE is home from Desbler, Nebraska.

WILL ROEGER visited the homefolks, first of the week.

MRS. C. M. BAILEY, of Wymore, visited briefly in the city, Thursday.

ALEX. F. DEBBERT returned home, as Friday, from his trip east of two weeks.

JUDGE J. E. COBBY of Beatrice was in the city, Monday, on some legal matters.

A. L. COCHRAN, ex-county treasurer, was in the county capital, Monday, on business.

MISS CLAUDIA HATCHER was up from Indianola, Friday—Sunday, taking in the Star function, etc.

P. WALSH arrived home, Tuesday evening, from a short trip down into the eastern part of the state.

A. B. KINZER, late of the Quick, Frontier county, neighborhood, has located in Bonanza, Wyoming.

MR. AND MRS. WALTER STOKES happily entertained the Thursday Whist Club, Tuesday evening of this week.

MISS LOTTIE BEATTY left on No. 14 Sunday night, for Falls City, to resume her work there as saleslady, after a short visit at home.

JOHN CASHEN, the auctioneer, was over from Indianola, last Saturday, on business, and visit relatives in this part of the county.

MRS. A. C. WIEBE went up to Denver, Thursday night, to be absent two weeks, visiting a friend in the "Queen City of the Prairies."

MRS. W. Y. JOHNSON went up to Denver, last week, on a visit to her daughter Martha, who is employed in a wholesale house in that city now.

MRS. A. G. DOLE was up from Tamora, Nebraska, yesterday, on matters of business, and to greet oldtime friends in the city. She departed for her home this morning.

L. M. CAMERON and family departed Saturday, for Wray, Colorado, a few days from which town they will go to farm. He has a homestead also in that neighborhood.

JOHN PONTIUS, the new editor of the Indianola Reporter, spent last Friday in this city, in the interest of his paper, rounding up the Democratic support and

MRS. MATHIE WELLES left, this morning, for Desbler, this state, on a visit to her new home. From thence she will go to Chicago, Iowa, Chicago and other places on her way east. She will set sail for New York, March 24th, for a visit, and will spend about six months at the Mediterranean, in Egypt, Sicily and Europe. Her permanent address during her absence will be Tamora, Nebraska. It is the hope of her many friends here that she may return in due time in safety.

Out of His Line.

Western Relative.—Well, Wendell, what was the score today? Little Boston Boy—Really, I do not know. Is it not your opinion, Uncle William, that the theorem of Clement and Athanasius furnishes a much more tenable basis for a rational theory of creation than is afforded by that of Augustine?—Chicago Tribune.

TEMPERANCE COLUMN

Conducted by the McCook W. C. T. U.

NO PLACE FOR THE DRUNKARD.

The present high efficiency of the American navy is due to temperance on the part of the sailors, 95 per cent of whom abstain from the use of liquor," was the statement made by Rear Admiral Ross, in charge of the naval recruiting station at Lake Bluff, Ill., in a recent public lecture. "The time of the drunkard in the navy has passed," continued Admiral Ross. "He is not wanted in the service any more than the drunkard is wanted in any other responsible capacity."

The same argument applies to men in the army, pro-temperance advocates to the contrary notwithstanding.

A NERVE DESTROYER.

The special "Automobile Number" of Collier's Weekly contains two pictures of special temperance significance. The first shows a party of autoers at their wayside luncheon, in which beer bottles figure conspicuously. It is entitled, "This is the sort of thing the man who drives his own car should avoid." This is immediately followed by a picture showing a wrecked automobile surrounded by an anxious crowd. The title "Or he is 'quite likely to have this sort of thing happen to him and his car." On another page, certain requisites for the driver of a racing car are thus enumerated: "Like other athletes, he must always be in condition. His endurance must always be adequate. His nerve must always be steady, his eyes clear, and his mind sharp and active. His control must never miss fire an infinitesimal part of a second; such might mean death, at any time."

The automobile, the airship, and all the other delicately constructed adjuncts of our highly complicated twentieth century life, demand clear eyes, steady nerves, faultless self-control. Therefore alcohol must go.

Special Sale

Overcoats

Rozell & Sons

INDIANOLA.

Mr. L. Miller and grandson Lovell spent Sunday in McCook.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Strunk are the proud parents of a baby boy, born February 1st. A. F. Ballah of Cambridge was an Indianola visitor, Tuesday.

Marion Dow and Robt. McWilliams were Bartley visitors, Tuesday. Born, to Mr and Mrs. Fred Minnie, February 1, a fine baby girl.

Quite a number attended the dance north of town, Saturday night.

John Gillen and Mary Westkamp were married, Tuesday, at the Catholic church.

Quite a number went up to McCook, attend the trial of Mike Riley.

Shack McIntee and Sarah Alexander, of near Box Elder, were married, Tuesday, at the Catholic church, Father Kelley officiating.

Elmer Hodgkins of Bartley was an Indianola visitor, the first of the week.

C. H. Russell and Son moved their stock of implements into the building occupied by C. W. Dow and Son.

L. B. Elmer has charge of the farmers' elevator, this week, while manager Strockey is attending District court at McCook.

J. J. Brennen was a McCook visitor, Tuesday.

C. M. Martin and family returned from Iowa, Tuesday, and will reside on their farm near Havana.

BOX ELDER.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Younger visited Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Doyle Sunday.

Mrs. Martha Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Shields visited Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Campbell Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Maxwell Wolfe and children visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Modrell the first of last week.

Mrs. W. A. Stone is visiting her brother Maxwell Wolfe.

W. B. Saxon is erecting a new wind mill on his farm.

George Younger built a room for A. W. Campbell, in the old store room, last Saturday.

The friends of Florence Watson will be pleased to learn that she is much improved after a hard tussle with the scarlet fever.

Edith Lytle and Essie Roberts accompanied Edith Morey home from Sunday School last Sunday morning, and spent the remainder of the day with her.

Mrs. A. T. Wilson left last Saturday to visit her sister Mrs. D. N. Richey of Wymore, who has just returned from the M. E. hospital at Omaha where she had been treated.

There will be no services at the church next Sunday evening as Rev. Tyler is holding meetings at Spring Creek and expects to close that evening.

A. W. Campbell returned Saturday from Osborn where he visited relatives and attended the meetings.

R. F. D. NO. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Notky arrived at home last Thursday. He went on to Denver, Saturday.

Mike Fritz departed, Tuesday night, for his new home in New Plymouth, Idaho.

Miss Kate Evertson has been visiting friends on A-h Creek and other points along the route the past week.

Mrs. William Brocmfield and his mother are visiting relatives up in Custer county, this state.

Government Examinations.

A test for census enumerators will be held in the high school building, McCook, February 5th.

On February 12th, in the high school building, an examination for city carriers and city postoffice clerks.

Blanks for the city carriers' and city postoffice clerks' examination may be secured at the McCook postoffice. Blanks must be sent to J. M. Shoemaker, secretary of the eighth district civil service, at St. Paul, Minnesota, not later than February 8th.

Helm's Big Horse and Mule Sale

At Laurel Dell stock farm on which is located Red Willow station, Neb., on the main line of the Burlington, six miles east of McCook and six miles west of Indianola. No. 12 at 7:15 a. m. and No. 5 at 8:37 p. m. stop on signal, and No. 9 at 7:35 a. m. and No. 10 at 6:11 p. m., will stop at this point sale day.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1910

Sale will commence at 1 p. m., and will be held in a big sale tent if the weather is unfavorable.

TWO CLYDESDALE STALLIONS Bred by Thomas Andrews, Cambridge, Neb. Royal Charlie, 10012. Brown, four white feet, white stripes in face. Foaled June 10, 1897. Sire, Fashion's A. (8222) 8286. Dam, Fannie of Milliken 8289.

Bismark, 13101. Dark brown, hind ankles white, half moon between the eyes. Foaled June 1, 1906. Sire, Brave Wanchope, 10941. Dam, Miss Johnson, 10682.

These stallions will be put up and choice sold, Mr. Helm retaining one. Legal Tender (H), No. 631, a Kentucky mammoth jack. Black with white points, 16 hands high. Sire, Blue Tie, 328. Dam, Miss Crossal 482. Bred by John H. Harris & Son, Lee's Summit, Mo. This jack is closely related to Orphan Boy, 636, the Monsees Jack champion at the St. Louis world fair. American Jack Stock Stud books may be seen at the farm sale day.

The stallion and jack may be purchased on a partial payment plan.

43 Head of Mules: 23 coming 3 and 4 years old, 4 yearlings and 6 weanlings; all out of Legal Tender (H).

18 Head of Horses: 10 head of young mares bred to Legal Tender; 8 head of geldings, some broke.

One wagon grain dump. Alfalfa hay in stack. Five pure bred Scotch Collie pups.

Hot coffee and lunch served free at noon. Visitors from a distance will be entertained free at the farm.

Terms of Sale: Eight months' time will be given, purchaser giving bankable note bearing 10 per cent interest. No property to be removed until settlement for same is made. Stock will be held at purchaser's risk as soon as settled for, but will be cared for two days free of charge and shipped according to purchaser's directions. Stock yard and siding on the ranch.

COL. E. D. SNELL, Auctioneers
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