

FACTS AND FANCIES.

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It is a mean man who refuses to answer a purely business letter when a stamp is enclosed for a reply.

If some men were as zealous in religion as they are in politics, there would be a larger male attendance at divine services each Sunday.

He is a selfish man who stops his wagon on a street crossing and keeps a lot of people waiting rather than walk around in the mud.

A Falls City woman has a hat that cost fifty dollars. Her husband is wearing the straw hat that he paid a dollar for last summer.

The prisoner at the bar cares little about the great American right of free speech. It is the right of free silence that he appreciates most.

When a man goes into what he considers a dangerous place, he feels a whole lot safer with a revolver in his pocket although he knows that he could not hit Pikes peak at ten paces.

The Kansas City Journal the other day headed its war news "A Check for Japan." In view of the fact that the war is costing thousands of dollars every day, the Japs will need a large check with which to meet the bills.

A little fellow was reading in a magazine and came across a reference to John G. Whittier. And turning to his father, he asked who Whittier was. "What!" exclaimed the father, "have your teachers never told you anything about Whittier?" The little boy replied that they had not and then the father continued: "Well my boy, Whittier was a field marshal under Napoleon and was especially commissioned to carry back to London the news of the surrender of General Grant to General Washington at Yorktown. Now if your teacher asks you anything about Whittier, you tell her that."

A Lincoln spiritualist gave a trance lecture and made some revelations that are very important if there is anything in them. He defined hell as "disappointment," and said that all murderers were floating around in the air cutting and slashing and shooting at each other but because their efforts resulted in no damage or injury to their fellow-spirits, they were very much disappointed. Imagine creeping up on your enemy with a piece of lead pipe in your hand and as you swatted him a terrific blow in the region where his medulla

oblongata ought to be you found that you had never touched him at all, and you shiver at the sound of his friendish laugh as he melted away into nothingness. This would be hell sure enough. The spiritualist further said that "All things that people fear upon earth, they will fear in the spirit." This would indicate that the fear of a democratic majority does not perish with the flesh.

Someday, perhaps, when you and I Shall know the wherefore and the why

Of things that be,
The cipher message of the years
Flashed forth by myriad circling spheres,

Shall be made clear to spirit ears
For you and me.

Someday, perhaps, when we shall see
The map of human destiny

In bird's-eye view,
Across its stretches we shall scan
In bold relief since Time began,
The wherefore and the why of man,
Depicted true.

Though eye and ear and mind deceive,
There's one thing I will still believe

With hope that grows;
The God who fashioned land and sea
Has never wrought a mystery
That, in His own good season, He
Will not disclose.

CorrespondenceNews of the County as Told by
Our Special Correspondents**Barada.**

Levi Fredrick has been on the sick list the past week.

John Bowers and family of Verdon visited Chas. Kuker and wife Sunday.

Ida Bowers of Verdon has been a guest at the home Chas. Kuker the past week.

Mat Shulenberg made a business trip to Omaha last Monday, returning home the last of the week.

Mrs. Dr. Elders accidentally stepped on a rusty nail and was in a dangerous condition for some time.

Warren Stokes drove over from Nemaha City on Tuesday of last week and visited relatives and friends here.

Quite a number drove over from Shubert Sunday to witness the ball game played by Shubert against our boys.

Dr. VanOsdell will leave in a few days for New York, where he will study surgery in a medical college for a few months.

Thomas Smith was busy last week transplanting tomato plants. He informs us he has just finished planting fifteen acres.

The Fourth of July will be celebrated here by the W. O. W. in the Heilman grove. The usual good program will be furnished.

Grandma Huff has concluded to move to Shubert. She has resided on the home farm a great many years and will be missed by

all her neighbors. Her invalid daughter will accompany her. It is hoped the change will benefit the poor sufferer.

David Ransom and Sam Cain of Shubert are putting down a well for Delos Spickler. They will also erect a windmill for him.

John Reddick was looking after business interests in Falls City Saturday. He has sold his farm and will move his family to Washington in the near future for the benefit of his health.

A little daughter of Sam Vassar and wife died Saturday evening of the measles. The remains were laid to rest on Monday in the cemetery east of town. We extend our sympathy to the heart-broken parents.

Joe Harper, accompanied by a traveling man, drove over from Shubert one day last week. A strap broke as they were coming into town, frightening the team so that the driver lost control of them, and they ran through town at a great speed and did not stop until the rig was upset. Joe was considerably bruised. After borrowing another rig they returned home, glad to think that they escaped serious injury.

Dawson.

Bess Graham is spending the week with her sister in Salem.

Marie Kennedy of Salem is visiting E. J. Satterwhite and family.

Will P. Fenton was down from Wymore a couple of days the first of the week.

Prof. W. B. Johns is away on a trip through southern Missouri and Arkansas.

Dera McCool returned home Sunday from a two week's stay in Humboldt.

Buelah and Mary Russel of Salem visited Lillith Wagener over Sunday.

Mrs. Hlavaty and children and Mrs. J. F. Walsh were down from Humboldt Sunday.

Father Corcoran went to Lincoln Sunday and remained until Wednesday evening.

Elmer Daugherty and wife of Auburn spent the Sabbath with Dawson relatives.

Little Margy Strunk was the victim of a pleasant surprise last Friday afternoon, the occasion being her birthday.

Willard and Lloyd Williams came down from Lincoln last Friday evening and will work on farms here during the summer.

F. R. Porter and wife were down from Pawnee City over Sunday, being guests at the home of Alf. Page.

Mr. Wylie, one of the tenants of Miles ranch, last week lost the barn and all its contents by fire, the cause of which is unknown

Three horses, several hundred bushels of corn, hay, farm implements, etc., were among the property destroyed.

Patrick Clancy returned home Monday evening from a two month's visit at his old home in Salem, New Jersey.

Elder M. T. Maze of Blue Springs was the guest of his brother, Rev. Maze, the first of the week.

The Quaker entertainers closed their week's engagement here Saturday night, and on Monday went to Salem to fill a week's engagement there.

Mrs. W. C. Heim entertained very pleasantly last Thursday evening, in honor of her guest, Vivian Hanna, who left Friday for her home in Denver.

Bea Ryan is the guest of Auburn friends this week, having gone over to be present at the closing exercises of St. Joseph's Academy.

Children's Day was appropriately observed in the Evangelical church last Sunday. An interesting program was rendered by the little folks.

West Bittner, who has been night operator for the B. & M. at Tecumseh for several months, is now doing similar work here. Harr VanHorn went from here to Tecumseh to fill that place.

The ladies of the W. M. S. served ice-cream cake and strawberries at the fire house last Saturday afternoon and evening. A large crowd was present and a goodly sum deposited in the treasury.

Last Saturday, Roy Judd fell from the roof of Chas. Strunk's barn, which he was painting. He was quite badly bruised, but fortunately no bones were broken and he will soon be alright again.

Rev. W. B. Maze will give a series of lectures on his observations of his trip to the Holy Land, the first to be given Friday evening. He traveled over all the interesting parts of the old world as well as the Holy Land, and being a keen observer, his lectures are sure to prove both interesting and instructive.

COLLECTIONS

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PROMPT ATTENTION**John L. Cleaver**

JUSTICE of the PEACE

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