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ERRATA

This week Manager Mathusala will try to imitate the News of last week. But old Mathusala is forced to pay so much attention to the doings of "the family" that he will fall down in this effort, just as he usually falls down. Poor old Mathusala.—Falls City, News, Dec. 18th.

* Should have been spelled Methuselah.
† "Mathusala" is proper.
‡ "Mathus" is correct.

We make the above corrections because we object to having errors appear in OUR advertisement--Tribune.

Five million dollars in money orders went to the old countries as Christmas presents from our foreign citizens this year.

Here's hoping that the turkey will be brown and tender and that the dressing will ooze out rich and savory when, in that sublime moment, father commences to carve.

Are they all at home this year? Then be thankful. If tonight, when you lock the door and turn out the lights, you have them all safe at home again, you are among the blessed of earth.

At any rate Methuselah was the son of Enoch, who walked with God and disappeared. It is worth something to be the son of one who escaped the common lot of man and did not return to Clay.

A good many local republicans are talking Dan J. Riley of Dawson, for the next county treasurer. Dan is one of the Richardson county boys that God made and would run rings around his opponent if he were to be a candidate.

The yellow journals of New York and Indianapolis have grown discretely silent since President Roosevelt sent his message on the Panama canal to congress. The New York World did go so far as to call the message undignified, but it said it in a nice ladylike way.

The Chautauqua movement is entitled to the moral and financial support of every person in Falls City. These meetings are productive of much entertainment and instruction for our people as well as giving the opportunity of hearing and studying many of the great characters of the nation.

Norman Mack, chairman of the democratic national committee, says that Mr. Bryan will never again be nominated by the democratic party, and that his influence in its councils will be largely confined to his home state. Mr. Bryan may never again be nominated, but Mack has another guess coming on the extent of his influence.

That such men as Senator Knox and Secretary Root are willing to give up their personal affairs to take on the arduous duties of state, promises well for the country's future. Either of these gentlemen has a law practice that produces upwards of \$200,000 a year. It is a safe statement to say that Gov. Hughes of New York, Senator Knox of Pennsylvania and Secretary Root sacrifice more than half a million dollars in fees each year in order that their country may have the benefit of their superior talents. This indicates patriotism of the highest order.

Falls City Business College

J. CARL LEISTER, Principal

School All the Year Around Winter Term Begins Jan. 4 Night School After January 4th

SEED WHEAT

An effort will be made to have the next Kansas legislature appropriate \$100,000 to buy seed wheat in the Crimea and import it into Kansas. This bill should receive the attention of the Nebraska legislature as well. The following taken from the Kansas City Times explains the Kansas plan:

"The wheat will not be sold. We propose to establish seed wheat farms, one or two in each county, according to the production or acreage of wheat in each county. We propose to make arrangements with farmers to take this wheat and sow it. They will pay out no cash, but will make an agreement to give to the state a certain percentage of the resulting crop. The details of this percentage plan have not been worked out, but, for instance, it might be required of the farmer to give the state four bushels of wheat for each bushel the state furnishes him. This seed in turn would be sold to other farmers for seed in the same county. We are working out a certificate plan so that it will be impossible to impose on the farmers.

"The money from the sale of this seed will go into the fund for the purchase of additional seed to be sown the same fall. This revolving fund ought to be paid back in five years and we are planning to make the percentage enough to do this and leave a fine balance to carry on the work.

"What Kansas needs more than anything else is fresh seed. The hard wheat which we now raise is the Russian wheat. But it deteriorates a little each year. To keep up the high standard it is necessary to import new stock.

"The traffic officials of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railways have already promised to haul this seed wheat free of charge when it is delivered to their lines. We will ask our congressmen to have the duty removed on wheat which is to be used entirely for seed. The duty on wheat is now twenty-five cents a bushel."

THEN AND NOW

The writer can remember when the farmer drove a spavined team hitched to an old lumber wagon into town on Saturday, ate his dinner of cheese and crackers, or a hunk of bologna at the corner grocery, sold his butter for 12c and his eggs for 10 cents, bought a quarters worth of sugar, a dime worth of chewing and "mosied" towards home. Today the farmer speeds in his touring car, orders a three course dinner at the cafe, holds up the poor town fellow 25 cents for butter and 30 cents for eggs, buys a few handsome dress patterns, a box of cigars, turns a crank until his car sobs and trembles, takes hold of the wheel and in a moment is lost in the distance.

Vulgarity is humor to certain mental make-ups, even the law against obscenity compels them to use their nastiness in abbreviation. You will never see anything in the Tribune, even in abbreviations, that you need fear to read to your little girl. For in this, also, the Tribune is just different.

A certain physician has long since removed from Falls City, but one of Falls City's weekly newspapers is still running his professional card. No, it's not the Tribune.

Businesses do not grow by luck. It is pluck, push and PUBLICITY.

"We are advertised by our loving friends." They admit it too.

Speaking of the two Christmas editions—well, just different, that's all.

If the Tribune wanted to "swell up" the comments made on our Christmas edition would turn the trick.

Watch us grow. New subscribers coming in so fast that a new receipt book was used up in three days. Fact.

That business which is so "different" that it cannot be helped by advertising usually remains about the same.

Prejudice is by far the greatest cause of persons being narrow minded, for it bars the door of the mind, admitting no liberal ideas.

Really, "we can't help it" when other papers insist on using the antiquated style of small caps when referring to the name of their paper.

The man who is always kicking, generally succeeds in being kicked. Fighting the enemy with his own ammunition is good tactics.

If the public find no other means of entertainment, it may find comfort in watching the bout between the president and congress these wintry days.

Carrie Nation is now in the "smashing" business in Scotland. The Scotch hgbilanders, no doubt, will be impressed with the vigor of our Kansas sister.

Some allow preconceive notions to become so firm that they are unwilling to investigate a subject fairly, fearing the truth might be at variance with their own pet theories.

The geographers were wise in making winter begin on the shortest day of the year. This gives us a chance to become injured to winter "weather" as the days grow longer.

It is doubtful if the Falls City merchants ever had a bigger day than last Saturday. Their advertisements published in the local papers brought people from miles around.

It is estimated that the American people consume more than a million dollars worth of sugar every day in the year. No doubt we deserve the premium as lovers of "sweet things."

The senatorial fight in Ohio will attract no little attention for the next few weeks to come. With Senator Foraker, Mr. Burton and Charles P. Taft in the race, Ohio will see a pretty fight for the senatorial plum.

Mr. Bryan says he does not think as well of some of Mr. Taft's appointments as Mr. Taft does. Here it is again. Mr. Bryan, no doubt, should have been consulted in the matter if his approval was desired.

HUMANE UNCLE SAM

Under the rules of the post office department at Washington each employee is entitled to a thirty days vacation. Under a recent ruling the scope of this vacation has been extended, and now every one of the hard worked horses are taken out of the city and away from the blinding pavements in the summer for thirty days, and are allowed to nibble the clover in the shade of the trees of a wide and rolling pasture in Maryland. This is not only humane but is economical in saving horse flesh as well.

A GOOD LAW

The state of Massachusetts has one of the best laws in the union. One of the many good provisions of this law is the appointment of three expert road commissioners to oversee, plan, layout and construct good roads. The entire original expense of a new road is paid by the common wealth, the law providing that one fourth of the money shall be paid back to the state every six years with interest.

We would suggest to Mr. Gerdes, who is a farmer and knows the utter unfitness of our present road law, with the view of repealing the present unsatisfactory law and substituting some law that will prove of real service.

Most of us think of Pennsylvania only as a great mining and manufacturing state, and never think of it as a corn producing state. Yet for the year 1908 it led all other states in corn production per acre. Its average yield being 39.5 bushels per acre; as compared with 38.5 for Ohio; 31.6 for Illinois; 30.3 for Indiana and 31.7 for Iowa. Nebraska comes lower down in the list and produced a little better than the general average of 26.2 bushels per acre. There is much yet to be learned of corn culture in Nebraska.

If we were to offer any suggestions to the many ambitious legislative solons who are soon to assemble in our state capitol, they would be these: Do not strive to burden the people of Nebraska with new and needless laws. Strive to perfect the ones we now have. Strengthen them where they need it, amend such as need amending, and repeal every statute which cannot be enforced. After this is done, then pass such laws as public needs require. Every needless law is an extra curtailment of individual rights.

With the appointment of Knox, Wilson and Hitchcock, as members of President Taft's cabinet, the public have assurance of three good men, to date, for his official family. A successful administration depends largely upon the President, personally, but the assistance of a wise cabinet is very important. No doubt in time, other announcements of cabinet appointments will be made, which, no doubt, will prove wise ones.

The county option leaders claim they have enough votes to pass a county option bill in the coming session of the legislature. Some of our friends who fought the republican ticket, thinking they were killing county option, may yet open their eyes and see that they were in the dark and that daylight has dawned. It would be another case of cutting off the nose to spite the face.

No better evidence of the fruits of judicious advertising is needed, than that the large sales made Saturday of last week and Monday of this week, would indicate. In order to make sales it is necessary to have the goods and then let the people know that you have them.

There may be no Jesse James these days, but there are men who are successful at Jesse's old game. It requires more than burglar proof safes to stop the work of bank robbers.

Now watch the little fellows knock Knox.

President elect Taft has announced Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, as the next secretary of state. This appointment will assure the maintaining of this great office at the high standard set by the late John Hay and Secretary Elihu Root. Mr. Knox is a man of commanding ability and one of the greatest lawyers of his time. He, like Elihu Root, represented many corporations before entering public life, but like Mr. Root, he laid aside all such associations and gave to the people the same great service he gave to his clients before election.

The best and largest paper in the county, it says. We just guess that isn't true, and one guess is about all we need.

Postmaster General Meyer says someone is boarding \$500,000,000. You may search us.

CLARK FOR SPEAKER

Omaha Bee Tells of Medicine Mixers

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 22. (Special.)—R. E. Lee Herdman of Omaha, former clerk of the supreme court, is spending a good portion of his time spent here is devoted to members of the legislature, who show up every few days looking for rooms or seats or just who come in. So far as the surface indications go Mr. Herdman is supporting Ralph Clark of Richardson county for speaker of the house. Surface indications are that Mr. Herdman is representing some corporations that will have special favors to ask at the hands of the coming legislature. In other words, the brewers, so it appears, and the railroads, intend to organize this legislature if they can. At this stage of the game there is every reason to believe these allied interests are favorable to the candidacy of Mr. Clark.

Devil-Tempted Young Men.

There is no one so devil-tempted today as the young custodian of the cash drawer. He is tempted because he assumes he is not paid enough; tempted because he cannot indulge himself as some who are better paid; tempted because he is vain of a good appearance; tempted because he wants to shine socially; tempted because he loves devotedly and cannot shower gifts from his thin pocketbook; tempted because he is a neophyte in forbidden mysteries; tempted, most of all, by the desire to emulate some other apparently successful young men who have made great "killings" on the race track or the stock exchange.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Vagaries of the Plumb Line.

One of the curious things that men of science have discovered in their innumerable efforts to measure and map the earth with the least possible error, is the fact that there are places where the direction of a plumb line is not vertical. Irregularities of density in the crust of the globe may produce this phenomenon.

A remarkable instance has been found in the island of Porto Rico, where the deviation from the vertical is so great that, in mapping the island, the northern and southern coast lines, as shown on the older maps, had each to be moved inward half a mile.—Illustrated Sunday Magazine.

Gymnastic Burglars.

A school for burglars has been discovered by the police at Toulouse, France, and 54 burglars and "professors" have been arrested.

Classes were held there every day, in which the burglars practiced gymnastics, and were taught the various details of their interesting profession by experts, who drew comfortable salaries.

All the members of the school are well known to the police, for one of the necessities of membership was a proof that the would-be member had committed at least five burglaries successfully, and had lived by his profession for at least three years.

Way to Judge a Man.

There are two good ways to judge a man—by what he doesn't pay and by what he doesn't say.

THE LOCAL LORE

Crowded off the regular Local Page.

Asa Freeland of Soldier, Kansas, is in the city to spend Christmas at the home of John Hossack.

Mrs. Dr. Callison and baby of Stella are guests at the home of Dr. Houston in this city.

We understand the Henry Meyers farm has been sold to John Jones, who now lives on the farm, for \$16,400. This is certainly a good price for 80 acres.

Hog Cholera Cure

I have a remedy to cure the cholera, the Dr. J. H. Snoddy Cholera Cure. I will take twenty-five nice well young shoats and put them in with sick hogs and give them the disease, then cure them all, and not lose a single hog. Will put up the money in the bank as security. At Lindell hotel. JOHN H. GILESPIE.

The Musical Event of the Season

Manager Gehling wishes to announce to the theatre going public of Falls City that he has secured for one performance, at the Gehling, Saturday, Jan. 2, a high class semi-operative production, "The ToyMaker's Dream" an adoption from the German, that is one of the very few shows on the road today that is a Guaranteed Attraction, not like the ordinary class of shows this is composed of artists of national reputation and among its members numbers such well known people as Miss Louise St. Claire who has been with many New York successes and has been in the employ of the Charles Frohman forces for past four seasons. She is one of the few women on the stage today that possess the following list of good qualities so seldom found in one person, namely: Handsome stage appearance, excellent singing voice and ability to act second to none. She is a close second to the star, Wm. C. Cushman who is too well known to the public to need any introduction. His ability has gained for him the reputation of being one of the best character singing comedians in the world. All lovers of real good comedy and the finest kind of high class music should secure their seats at once for "The ToyMaker's Dream."

A Good Father

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