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**WILLET**  
NO. 17109

Sire of Nabob (4) 2:30. Sire,  
Rochester 616. Record  
2:31.

Sire of  
HELL BOY - 2:24 1/2 DINNIE - 2:25  
ORIANA - 2:25 MINOT - 2:26 1/2  
FLORESTINE - 2:26 1/2 SENSATION - 2:29 1/2  
And many others.

1st dam JEANNETTE, by HAM-  
BLETONIAN 157.

Dam of Willet (sire of Nabob, 2:30) and Ka-  
tana (dam of Nornette, 2:25), Hazel's, Sire of  
the dams of Ida Belle, 2:23, and Lottie K., 2:27

2nd dam, DAUGHTER OF ABDEL-  
LAH 15.

Sire of Goldsmith Maid, 2:14.

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## THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT WOOD LAKE DEPARTMENT

SUCCESSOR TO  
CHERRY COUNTY INDEPENDENT.

LEROY LEACH, Editor.  
ROBERT GOOD, Editor and Publisher



ARTHUR SEWALL  
Democratic nominee for vice president.

Judge Walcott is hearing a rape case this morning, but we have not heard the particulars.

**Bitten by a Rattlesnake.**  
Last Monday the little daughter of A. H. Earley, south of town, was bitten on the right ankle by a rattlesnake and for a time her life was in danger. The limb swelled rapidly, but was lanced by D. S. Sherman who happened along just then, after which the girl was brought to town and placed in the hands of Dr. J. C. Dwyer and at last account the girl was said to be out of danger. An hour's delay would have proven fatal.

**Weather Report.**  
Following is a summary of the weather experienced here during the past week, and up to 10 o'clock this morning:

DAY	TEMP	MAX	MIN	PRECP
Thursday	82	56	....	....
Friday	84	63	.22	....
Saturday	84	57	.52	....
Sunday	88	60	.10	....
Monday	83	54	trace	....
Tuesday	78	60	....	....
Wednesday	71	54	....	....
Thursday	76	58	1.16	....

Precipitation is given in inches and hundredths. Observations by C. R. Watson, of U. S. weather bureau. The weather bureau day is from 6 p. m. to 6 p. m.

**Four Accidents.**  
Dr. A. Lewis has had a number of cases during the past week where his skill as a surgeon has been tested. One week ago Sunday a daughter of Mrs. Harris met with a mishap of some kind and broke an arm. Thursday a son of Mr. Trueson broke his arm, and Monday little Hollister Brandon fell over a tin can and broke an arm. There is something peculiar about these three cases. In each instance both bones of the right forearm were broken and Dr. Lewis was called to set the fractures. Tuesday Mrs. James Searby, of Crookston, met with an accident which will probably deprive her of the use of her left arm for some time to come. While riding a horse the animal fell and pinioned her under him, badly crushing her left shoulder. The injury is a serious as well as painful one.

**"The Preston Mystery."**  
On the fourth page of this paper will be found the first instalment of the story with the above title. For the benefit of those who have not read the former announcements we append the list of prizes and the rules governing the competition:

For the best solution—\$5.00.  
For the second best solution—\$3.00.  
For the third best solution—\$2.00.  
For the fourth best solution—One year's subscription to THE DEMOCRAT to be sent to any address required.

For the fifth best solution—Six months' subscription to THE DEMOCRAT.  
All that is necessary for you to do to become a competitor is to send one dollar for a year's subscription to THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT from July 1st 1896, or some later date.

All those who are in arrears on subscription may become competitors by paying such arrearages and a year in advance.

The competition is open to the world under these terms.

Should you wish to send in more than one solution, you may do so, provided each solution is accompanied by a year's subscription. Have the paper sent to friends in the east. They will appreciate the gift.

Subscriptions received at any time, as all who pay in advance from July 1st may enter the competition.

No one connected with THE DEMOCRAT will be allowed to compete.

Two weeks' time will expire between the publishing of the last instalment and the final chapter which solves the mystery of the story, and the final chapter will not be written until all solutions are received. This will preclude the possibility of anyone but the author knowing the solution, and as the solutions will not be opened except in the presence of witnesses all will be absolutely fair.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Johnson went to Longpine Saturday to hear Governor Holcomb speak. They expect to remain some time, as it is thought the change may be beneficial to Mrs. Johnson's health, she having been unwell for some time.

We have received congratulations from many people for our elaborate description of the habits of the bachelor girl, and are much pleased over same.

We received a surprise Saturday evening. We were preparing to go to the city when without any provocation it began to rain and forced us to remain at home. Now this is not right after making people believe that we were going to have things nice and dry as they were before Noah constructed his ferryboat, to rain and soil one's Sunday raiment; but such is life, and then, to be sure, it benefits the sunflower and festive thistle, so we should not complain.

We understand that some of our former citizens who a few years since were wont to sing "Carry me back to old Virginia," and finally went back, are now crying:

Oh, for the hills of Cherry county,  
Where we lived on nature's bounty  
Where we breathed the healthy air,  
Would that we could now be there.

But it costs something to go to Virginia, and, once there, one never has an opportunity to earn the price of a return ticket.

Fellow citizens, take thou warning!  
Sing with voice so gay and free.  
"Nebraska is the place for me."

**A TRIP THROUGH NEBRASKA.**

We went to Grand Island last week and enjoyed the trip very much. At fully six stations on the way down we observed our former best girl strolling with the other fellow; a discouraging sight truly. Under ordinary circumstances we should have wept, but being in too good a humor just then, we could not.

Last winter we saw the train newsboy play a prank which we thought broke the world's record for scheming. He had the brakeman turn on the gas, which set all the passengers coughing, at which opportune moment he appeared with a suave smile and a large box of the latest improved Chicago cough drops and retailed same at ten cents per box, making about \$5.00. But he did still better the other day. The thermometer registered 100 degrees in the shade. After we had passed the division the newsboy emptied the tank of icewater into four spoonful of citric acid and a six gallon pitcher: then when the passengers were lying back slowly dying of thirst, he suddenly raised the roar of: "Ice lemonade! only 10 cents!" and sold it to the last drop, clearing not less than five dollars.

The crops below look fine. It does one good to see corn six and seven feet in height; and wheat and oats not much shorter; dense groves of lovely shade trees cover that loveliest portion of Nebraska, land of romance and adventure, the valley of the Platte.

As one rides whizzing up the shady dells viewing the silvery waters of the Platte gleaming here and there through the bright green foliage, one can look back and in fancy see a picture of the past.

Gone are the farm houses, the measureless fields of grain! Around us we see the picturesque tepees of the Pawnee and Sioux; while here and there graze vast herds of American bison. To the eastward can be seen an approaching train of snowy topped wagons, between each the double yoke of oxen, as "Westward the star of empire takes its way;" and as in a dream we see the panorama of silvery streams, deer grazing here and there, buffalo in thousands, and in places enormous herds of cattle roaming the flower decked prairie; then comes a dark cloud across the sky of reverie, and in its midst we see scenes of awful massacre committed by the red man and white outlaw, then, shuddering at the sight, we awake to hear around us the sounds of modern progress, and see the darkness cleft by the rays of the electric light; then as we reflect over the advantages of both the past and present, of a truth, we know not which is best.

We are doubtless that some might term old fashioned, but we somehow cannot help but love the past.

Those bright days when men were honest—  
When to live it was a pleasure;  
Politics caused no dissensions,  
And the name of Bill McKinley  
Troubled not our peaceful slumbers,  
Long before our Billy Bryan  
Showed himself our strike's horizon;  
When we raised in peace our pumpkinkins  
In the bright land of Nebraska.

## W. C. T. U. Day at Chautauqua.

CONVENTION HALL,  
LONGPINE, July 20.  
Morning session opened at 10 o'clock, with the president, Mrs. Glover, in the chair. After devotional exercises Mrs. Glover gave a comprehensive and able address to the assembly, after which reports from the district unions were read, followed by selections on the autoharp by Mrs. Walker.

In the afternoon the meeting was called to order by Mrs. Glover and opened with devotional exercises. She called attention briefly to the departments of work as conducted by the W. C. T. U. and gave some very helpful remarks on several of these departments. After a finely executed piano solo by Prof. Shubert, Mrs. Cory was called upon and reported the work of the L. T. L. She spoke of the importance of training the boys in temperance work. Did not press the acceptance of the three-fold pledge, only insisted that it should be signed only after examination by parents. She finds boys hesitate to sign the pledge against tobacco and profanity. She spoke warmly of the good results of normal lessons and diplomas followed by seal courses. She spoke feelingly of the fact that this work in Nebraska is behind other states, and made a strong appeal for county and state organization in behalf of the L. T. L. Miss Hedrick was then called upon, and read an extract from a paper by Miss Willard on "Rational Amusements." At this point Mrs. Walker sang very beautifully, "Nobody knows but mother."

Temperance work in the schools was discussed by Mr. Fee. This work can be made most effective among the young. Should be careful not to lose the confidence of our pupils. Hence careful and conscientious work, very important.

How can we make the work of the Union, most effective? Mrs. Walker. Care necessary in preparing programs. Devote little time to business, and be sure to have something to pay for the trouble of coming out to the meeting.

Scientific Temperance in Colleges by Prof. Anderson. Scientific temperance important, but for results we reach the pupils through their hearts, and this can only be done by religious instruction.

Mrs. Walker read a paper, sent in by the Supt. of Temperance work.

The presentation of Temperance in the Sunday School by Mrs. Morey. Children can be reached by temperance instruction in the Sunday School that can not be reached in any other place. Bible temperance can be made more effective than any other way of teaching unless it be the Christian home.

Can you tell how to conduct a parlor meeting? by Mrs. Northrop. Short session, brilliant program, light refreshments, varied programs.

How shall we interest the fathers? Mrs. Walker. Illustrated by an incident drawn from her own experience.

A report of this meeting is incomplete without mention of the many very pertinent and helpful remarks upon the various topics which were made by Mrs. Glover in the intervals between the several speakers.

Election of officers resulted:

President—Mrs. C. R. Glover.  
Vice President—Mrs. Rising Ainsworth.

Treasurer—Mrs. Geo. Hornby.  
Cor. Secy.—Mrs. Ada Northrop.  
Rec. Secy.—Mrs. C. V. Wilson.

**Simon.**

Fine rain Sunday.

W. D. Morgareidge is on the sick list this week.

Rev. Lee preached at the school house Sunday and gave good satisfaction. The house was so crowded that there was scarce standing room. He will be here again after haying.

A. Bennett has returned from the eastern part of the state, where he went to see his baby and visit his friends. The Sunday School people are all glad to see him back again.

W. F. Morgareidge is attending the institute at Valentine this week.

Miss Hamer departed this week for Dawson county.

C. W. Bennett is buying cattle.

Mrs. Stratton was down from Oasis and spent a few days with W. H.

The Hobbs boys are making hay this week.

Mr. Carr has gone up to the table after his binder and harvest will soon begin.

OSCAR.

The F. E. & M. V. has had an engine stationed here during the past week to assist stock trains over the Thacher hill. Two engines will be kept here as soon as stock begins to move in earnest.

## LIKE FRIENDS

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SAMPLE ROOM AND LIVERY STABLE IN CONNECTION  
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**EH Precinct.**

E. F. Devine was in Valentine on business the first of the week.

Arthur Hotz, of Gordon, spent last week in this neighborhood.

I. B. Nichols and son Bert took in the soldiers' reunion at Bordeaux last week.

Wheat harvest is in full blast. The crop is light.

Spring chickens are ripe and choke-cherries are beginning to turn. B'gosh we'll all get fat yet.

Some of the residents of Eli had a hop last Saturday night.

The political pot is sizzling. Several bets have already been made.

SANDY

WANTED—To rent a dwelling house. Call at this office.

WANTED—Ten men, at once, to work on brick yard at Rosebud Indian Reservation. Fifteen cents per hour and three months' job. Board \$3.50 per week. W. P. AUSTIN.

**Struck by Lightning.**

During the storm last Saturday night the house of Joseph Miller, who is living on the Dunbar ranch 20 miles south-east of Valentine, was struck by lightning, and afterwards burned to the ground, together with all its contents. Mrs. Miller and little daughter were alone in the house at the time, the male members of the family being at the stables, and were completely prostrated by the shock. The prompt action of the men in coming to the rescue is all that saved the woman and child from being burned to death. Parties were sent to this place for a physician, and Dr. Ed. Dwyer responded and at last accounts those who were prostrated by the bolt were doing nicely. Everything the family owned was burned, and citizens of Valentine responded liberally to the request for aid which was made Monday.

**Order to Show Cause.**

In the District court of Cherry county, Nebraska, in the matter of Guardianship of Leta A. Stetter.

July 22, 1896, this cause came on for hearing before me in Chambers at Valentine, Nebraska, and it appearing to me that the order heretofore granted by me to show cause bearing date April 24, 1896, and requesting that all parties interested appear before me at Chambers, at O'Neill, Nebraska, on the 29th day of May, 1896, to show cause if any, why a license should not be granted to sell the real estate herein described and if appearing to me that the applicant did not appear and make proof on said 29th day of May, 1896, or in any manner prosecute said application and said applicant now renewing his application for a license to sell said real estate, said order of April 24th 1896, is hereby revoked, vacated and set aside annulled, and on consideration of the application of John G. Stetter, guardian of Leta A. Stetter to sell the real estate of said ward, said real estate being the W. S. Nelz Sec. 25, T. 35, R. 34, Cherry county, State of Nebraska, and it appearing to me from the petition of the applicant that it would be for the use and benefit and best interest of the said Leta A. Stetter, minor aforesaid, to sell said real estate and place the proceeds thereof at interest. Therefore it is considered by me that all persons interested in said estate appear before me the undersigned at Chambers in the City of O'Neill, in the 15th Judicial District, Nebraska, on the 25th day of August, 1896, and then and there show cause if any they have why the license should not be granted to the said John G. Stetter, applicant, guardian of the said minor, Leta A. Stetter, to sell the above described real estate and place the proceeds thereof at interest. It is further ordered that notice of the making of this order shall be made upon all persons interested in said estate by publication in THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT, a weekly newspaper published and of general circulation in the county of Cherry, State of Nebraska, published in the City of Valentine, Nebraska, on the 22nd day of July, 1896. Given under my hand this 22nd day of July, 1896.

M. P. KINKAID, District Judge.

**G. H. DODD**

**MERCHANT TAILOR**

Has opened a shop in the Fischer Building just north of Lewis' Drug Store, and is prepared to do all kinds of work in his line. Special attention to CLEANING AND ALTERING LADIES GARMENTS.

**Populist Convention.**

The People's Independent Party County Convention is hereby called to meet at Valentine, Nebraska, on Saturday, August 1st 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of nominating a county attorney, electing six delegates to the state convention, six to the congressional convention, six to the senatorial convention, six to the representative convention, also to elect a county committee and transact such other business as shall come up.

It has been recommended that we base our representation on McFadden's vote for Secretary of State in 1894 giving one delegate at large and one for each ten votes or major fraction thereof which entitles the several precincts to delegates as follows:

Valentine	6	Nenzel	2
Irwin	3	Table	4
Tower	2	Pleasant Hill	2
Kewanee	3	Kennedy	4
Lavaca	6	Loup	4
Minnehadaza	5	Mother Lake	3
Wood Lake	7	Dewey's Lake	2
Sharp's ranch	3	Sparks	5
Schlagle	4	Steen	1
Eli	2	Enlow	1
German	2	Georgia	3
Gillaspie	2	Cleveland	3
Boiling Springs	4	Buffalo Lake	2

It is recommended that each precinct hold its primary on Saturday the 25th day of July at 2 o'clock p. m. at the usual voting place. It is further recommended that each precinct elect a precinct committeeman and that the delegate present be empowered to cast the entire vote of their delegation.

Immediately after the county convention there will be a convention of delegates from the second commissioner district to put in nomination a commissioner from that district.

LILLIAN U. STONER,  
G. P. CRABB Chairman.

**Ordinance No. 71.**

VALENTINE, Nebraska, July 15, 1896.  
An Ordinance for the Repeal of Ordinance No. Twenty-two (22) Enacted "An Ordinance to Levy a License Tax on Draymen and Vendors"  
BE IT ORDAINED by the chairman and Board of Trustees of the Village of Valentine that Ordinance No. Twenty-two (22) of the Village of Valentine shall be repealed.  
Attest: T. C. HORNBY, E. SPARKS  
Clerk Chairman