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OUR SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

MAE DAVENPORT } Editors
EDNAH M'DONALD }

Grammar Department - Frank Tate
Intermediate Department - Mrs. Elden Sparks.

John Shelbourne is a new pupil in the Second Primary Department.

The High School Literary Club will give a program Thursday December 24.

Will Beamer will favor us with a violin solo at the next meeting of our literary club.

Among the boys running races has taken the place of tests in jumping. Frank Thorn usually bears off the honors on each occasion.

A library has been started on a small scale in Miss Callen's room. The pupils are very much interested in it and the return of the favorite books is eagerly watched for.

A number of our school boys started out to charivari a newly married couple Monday night. To their surprise they were invited to enter the house, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. The boys pronounced it to have been the best time they have had since vacation.

Mrs. Crawford has lately been reading to her pupils a story about a flute. She drew a picture of it on the board and otherwise illustrated the story. One little boy was very much interested in it. At home that evening he asked his mother what musical instruments they had in heaven. She replied that she did not know. "Well" he exclaimed "do they have any yaloots in heaven?"

Jas. Ryan, of Wilmington, Delaware, is spending a few days in Valentine while on a pleasure trip. Mr. Ryan was to have met some friends here but for some reason they failed to put in an appearance and he is keeping some of our boys jumping to furnish him entertainment in the hunting line, and anyone who knows Valentine knows we have plenty of people who are always willing to hunt the festive jack rabbit the sneaking coyote, swift winged grouse or retiring quail.

County Attorney Ed. Clarke went to Cody last Saturday to prosecute a son of Basil Hunt for stealing a horse from S. J. Goodwin, but the trial was put over until yesterday. Hunt claims to have bought the horse of a man named Weil, and if that man cannot be apprehended, it will be another Case and Mills case, hence the delay.

A temperance meeting was held at the Presbyterian church under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. last Sunday evening. The church was crowded so that the lecture room was thrown open to accommodate late comers. Rev. Moore, Mrs. C. R. Glover and Mrs. R. H. Watson were the principal speakers.

Capt. E. M. Fuller, of Cleveland, Ohio, visited here last Friday with his brother-in-law, Geo. Elliott, while on the way to his ranch at Merriman. This is Capt. Fuller's periodical visit to Nebraska, and he was not disappointed in the results of this year or the prospects for a next.

W. F. A. Meitendorf received three hens and a full blood white Plymouth Rock rooster from Hampton, Iowa, this morning. The rooster is only four months old, and scored 92 points out of a possible 100.

A new cross walk of stone and cinders has been put across Main street from Geo. Hornby's to Robert Robinson's store. Now let's have a walk across Main street in front of The Donoher.

Frank Gillette passed through town Sunday night on the way to Sturgis, S. D. He has a contract for furnishing 200,000 pounds of oats at Fort Meade.

Humors are afloat to the effect that one of Valentine's society young ladies will soon leave us to enter the state of matrimony with a gentleman unknown here.

WOOD LAKE DEPARTMENT

BY "KELLY."

December 15.
W. G. Ballard was in town this week.

A. J. Wilson, of the Hansen (Cattle Co.), is in town today.

W. Ballard left for Fremont and Omaha this morning.

Dave Hanna had business in Valentine one day last week.

C. W. Kilgore commenced going to school here Monday morning.

H. R. Spilman, of Carroll, Ia., spent several days in town last week.

Chas. Hansen, of Sioux City spent several days in town this week.

P. W. Murphy, of Ainsworth had business in town this afternoon.

Pearl Porter was on the sick list two days last week. Better not go to Valentine again Pearl.

Mrs. Barnard and sister Miss Jennie West left for Crawford last Monday night for a visit with their parents.

We are much obliged to Auntie for helping us out last week and hope she will do so this week as news is scarce.

Alton Porter was in town Saturday. We understand he has sold his farm and will go into business in Johnstown shortly.

Arabia.
Sheriff Strong was in town Tuesday on business.

Miss Mamie Keif is quite sick with a sore throat.

Miss Edna Johnson is on the sick list this week.

Willis Kilgore was up from Johnstown and spent Saturday with his brother Scott.

Jack Kief moved his family into their residence in Arabia one day last week, to be more handy to the school, for his children.

John and Andy Jordan arrived home from Minnesota last Saturday night to spend the winter with their parents. We are glad to see the boys back.

The brick have arrived for the foundation under the school house, and the laying of the same will commence soon, if the fine weather continues.

What was the cause of that sorrowful looking face we saw around the section house one day last week? Was it because the school ma'am happened to be absent?

X. Y. Z.

Brownlee.
P. S. Roueche returned from Theford Wednesday, where he has been to see Mrs. Roueche safely started for St. Louis, Mo., where she will visit relatives for a couple of months.

C. B. Murphy was over from Theford last week. He tells us that the prospect for extending the irrigation ditch across the river next spring is good. If that can be done it will mean a great deal for Thomas county.

Geo. Hohstatt, of Swan Lake, was in town Friday, and he informs us that there are seven head of stray cattle at his ranch. Three steers, three cows and a calf.

Fritz & Lewis are putting down a well for E. R. Vandergriff this week. Henry Hyde is engineering the job.

Geo. Petrie and Frank Lee took 20 head of Frank's cattle up to C. Fritz Monday where they will be wintered.

Will McCain, who has been working for Witt Bros., departed for his home at Gandy, Logan county, last Sunday.

We understand that Wm. Hogue has decided to enter the race for P. M. in Gordon. Mr. Hogue is one of the earliest settlers in this vicinity, a man without an enemy, personal or political, an old soldier who sacrificed one leg on the field of battle, and besides all this, for four years, rendered most efficient service as P. M. of Gordon. He has the experience, the ability, and surely none have stronger claims than he. - Gordon Journal.

Sheriff Strong levied on three head of cattle belonging to Mrs. Hetz, near Arabia, yesterday, attaching them for a debt owed E. H. Baumgartel, of Coosho.

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THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT

SUCCESSOR TO
CHERRY COUNTY INDEPENDENT.

ROBERT GOOD, Editor and Publisher

Stinard has a Camel in his store.

Under the care of Dr. Evans Mrs. [Name] is recovering her health.

C. R. Glover went to Aurora Sunday morning to see his mother who is seriously ill.

Little Josephine Flowers is quite ill at the home of her parents in the west part of town.

W. P. Alsp is the proud possessor of a new \$60 diamond, the result of a lucky shake of the dice.

The family of Howard Case has moved to Johnstown where they will probably reside in the future.

Mrs. J. Martin expects to start for Berlin, Nebraska, Sunday, to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Shaefly.

A. G. Ness, of Chadron, and Lewis Clark and Chas. Weston, of Longview, registered at the City Hotel Monday.

A. S. Cole and son James, stopped in town Monday while on their way overland from Casper, Wyo. to Stuart, Nebr.

Patrick Herron, the well known Keya Paha ranchman, was in town before the pension board the first of the week.

BORN:-Friday, December 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Latta, of Simeon, a son. Drs. Lewis and Evans attending the mother.

J. F. Prentiss returned from Rosebud yesterday, and brought with him a pet in the shape of a large, luscious boar or something of that sort.

Sherman Bros. are branching out in their livery business to an extent that may necessitate the building of a new barn some of these days.

C. A. Johnson was up from Wood Lake yesterday. He will start for southern Arizona next week, in company with his wife and daughter.

C. R. Watson, W. E. Haley, Jas. Ryan, of Wilmington, Delaware, and Chas. Sherman, were out in the sand hills yesterday on a chicken hunt.

Residents of North Cherry street inform us that if the sidewalks on that thoroughfare are not repaired a number of damage suits are probabilities.

As a leader until after the holidays T. C. Hornby will offer sewing machines at \$20.00 cash. This price will only be offered until Jan. 1st and is for cash.

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