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THIS AND THAT

Coming Events.
School House Bond Election—Feb. 5.
St. Valentine's Day—Feb. 14.
A. O. U. W. Supper—Feb. 22.
Washington's Birthday—Feb. 22.

Valentines at Morey's. 2

School bond election February 5.

Vote to increase school facilities.

Morey has a nice selection of valentines. 2

Howard Layport was in town a few days this week.

Valentines from one cent up to \$1.50 each at Morey's. 2

Opposition to the school house bonds seems to have almost died out.

WANTED:—Fresh milch cow, at once. Enquire at The Dohober

Vote to reduce doctor bills and preserve the health of your children.

The ground hog saw his shadow, if he came to the surface Tuesday.

Mrs. T. C. Hornby went to Chadron Saturday night to visit her parents.

Dr. Evans was called to Cody on a professional visit yesterday evening.

Pete Peterson returned from Deadwood Sunday morning after a month's stay.

The little child of Robert Morgan of north of Cody, is seriously ill of pneumonia.

Wm. Taylor is driving P. F. Simon's dray while the latter is in Grand Island.

Mrs. W. E. Waite, postmistress at Chadron, was in town Sunday and Monday.

Charlie Cornell gave a phonograph party to a few of his friends Monday evening.

Dr. Dwyer attended to eight patients at his sanitarium one morning recently.

Art. Sherman and wife went out to their homestead south of town the first of the week.

Wm. Francke returned Saturday night from Des Moines, where he has been on business.

The county clerk is busily engaged in preparing the assessors' books for their use this spring.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Dittmer, of the German settlement, Friday, January 29, a girl.

G. P. Crabb returned from Lincoln Friday night after having made his settlement with the state auditor.

A. G. Shaw started for the south this morning, where he goes to join a traveling company of players, jugglers, etc.

O. W. Morey was the first to open a display of valentines this year, and his assortment is very pretty and complete.

Capt. Philip G. Wales, assistant surgeon, of Fort McPherson, Georgia, has been transferred to Fort Niobrara.

Rev. J. C. Sloan preached at the M. E. church Sunday evening, the Presbyterian church being deemed too small to hold the congregation.

Mrs. O. L. Ramsey came down from Crawford yesterday morning on business. She says Crawford is a very lively town just at present.

W. P. Alsip came over from the Rosebud brick yard Monday afternoon and went to Pine Ridge to close his affairs there Monday night.

Eugene French was down from Rosebud Friday and attended the dance. Mark Zarr returned with him and will work for Gilman and Heller.

The "Hungry Four" met with "Voracious" Nicholson last Saturday evening. "Hungry Al" provides the feast this week and promises something new.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, Monday evening, February 1, George W. Walker and Bessie Zarr, county judge W. R. Towne tying the knot.

Geo Schwalm gave the City Meat Market a thorough cleaning up the first of the week, whitewashing the walls and otherwise improving the appearance of the interior of the market.

Thomas Fitzgerald, of Chestfield, known among friends as "By-the-Lord-Harry," was in town the first of the week.

P. F. Simons started for Grand Island Monday morning as a delegate to the grand lodge of the Modern Woodmen of America.

Dr. J. J. Evans is once more able to attend to his large physician's practice, having completely recovered from his recent attack of neuralgia.

Charles A. Barnes and mother Mrs. S. G. Barnes were up from Wood Lake yesterday on business connected with the estate of the late Sam'l G. Barnes.

At the meeting of the Wacipi Club last Friday evening T. C. Hornby was elected president, C. H. Cornell vice, Robert Good secretary and W. E. Haley treasurer.

T. C. Hornby has a hennery in the north show window of his store. A White Plymouth Rock hen with two little chicks is quite a curiosity at this time of the year.

This paper was informed that it was misinformed when it was told that Wm. Ward was assistant postmaster at Chadron. He is assistant in the culinary, not the postoffice department.

Aug. Weltke, the young man who recently withstood an operation for appendicitis, is getting along very nicely. An abscess which had formed in his liver was removed the other day.

J. A. Carroll and family have moved from the Mills house, have taken rooms with A. T. White, quit house-keeping, and are once more numbered with the regular boarders at The Dohober.

Geo. Beers almost broke the record for fast driving Monday, making the thirty-five mile drive from Rosebud with the stage and six passengers in just one hour and forty-five minutes, exclusive of stops.

Mr. C. May, of Pardum, stopped in this place Monday on his return from Omaha where he has been marketing some sheep. Mr. May intends locating in this part of the county.—*Ainsworth Star-Journal.*

F. H. Ingersoll, of Bucyrus, Ohio, is in town attending to some business matters. He will be here probably two or three months, and in the meanwhile is stopping with his brother-in-law, Dr. Alfred Lewis.

Mrs. J. W. Finnegan, of Chadron, and Mrs. Skinner, wife of the editor of the Bald Mountain News, at Terry, So. Dak., attended the dance given by the Wacipi Club last Friday night returning to Chadron Saturday.

Sam'l Holsclaw is making six benches for use in the county court room and when completed and placed in position they will give the room more of an audience chamber appearance than it now possesses.

W. F. A. Meltendorf has purchased the 80x150 lot at the corner of Elmore and Cherry streets, just south of the Presbyterian church, of J. J. Guth, and will build a neat little residence thereon and further improve the same.

Dr. C. A. Wells now occupies the northwest room of the Hornby Block as a dental parlor, Ed. Clarke moving into the room he formerly occupied. This makes things much nicer for the Doctor giving him a larger room and more light.

Dr. W. D. Donohoe returned to St. Louis Saturday morning after spending a vacation of about six weeks with his mother and sisters here. Mrs. Donohoe accompanied him as far as Omaha, where she went to have her eyes treated.

Geo. H. Hornby has purchased an old Red Cross ambulance and is having same made over into a hearse for use in connection with his undertaking establishment. This is something which has long been needed and will be appreciated by our citizens.

The Fort Niobrara Minstrel Company gave a performance to a fair sized house here last evening. The boys did quite well, though the action of the various numbers seemed to lack in spirit. There is much good talent in the company if it was only cultivated. The singing and the acrobatic feats of Purnell and Boatwright were the best specialties.

THE CLASS OF '97

Delivered Their Half-Yearly Orations Tuesday Evening.

The High School classes of the public schools gave a public entertainment at the M. E. church Tuesday evening, the occasion being the delivery of the half-yearly orations of the class of '97. A large audience was present to encourage the young folks.

Prof. Watson made a few preliminary remarks thanking the audience, and introducing the pupils. The opening number, "Greeting Glee," was well rendered by a double quartette composed of Estella Bartley, Edith Pettycrew, Mabel Towne, Ednah MacDonald Archie Pettycrew, Frank Thorn Eddie Haeckler and Earl Pettycrew, which was followed by Ednah MacDonald with an oration on "The History of the Jews." She has a good voice and splendid memory, and handled her subject well, touching upon all important points. Myrtle Pettyjohn followed with a humorous recitation, "Aunt Melissa on Boys," which captivated the audience. She was followed by Charles Cook who in his oration on "Look Before you Leap" showed the bad effects of fast company, tobacco, liquor and laziness on youth, and gave the young people some good advice.

The double quartette followed with a song having the same title as the oration.

"A Practical Education," an oration by Mae Davenport, was perhaps the best thing on the program. This young lady possesses an exceptionally good voice, and knows how to use it, the inflection of her words and the accompanying gestures being expressive to a great degree. She showed the value of an education to a person in all walks of life, and seemed to be of the opinion that to be successful one must be a specialist. Tacy Collett followed with a recitation, "Searching for the Slain," which was well delivered, the pathos of the selection being accentuated by her manner of delivery.

Frank Thorn came last, delivering an oration on "Accept Your Genius and Say What You Think," a rather socialistic topic, and the oration was in strict keeping with the subject. He showed how much better the world would be if everyone did as his subject commanded, but they don't. The program was completed by a song "Balmy and Soft," rendered by the High School Quartette. Mae Davenport played the accompaniments for all the songs.

Prof. Watson explained to the audience that this was the first time either of the four members of the graduating class had ever recited anything of their own composition, and this being so their proficiency is all the more remarkable. One thing, however, was noticeable—the girls did much better than the boys, and unless the latter make marked improvement the girls will carry off the honors of the class. Everyone was highly pleased with the evening's exercises, and words of praise were heard for each pupil on the program. Next year perhaps, the school will not have to secure a building other than the school house when public exercises are to be given.

"As the twig is bent the tree is inclined." How can a child whose growth is stunted by foul air, whose eyes are injured by poor light, whose lungs and other organs are harmed by first freezing cold, then suffocating heat, whose perceptions of beauty, desires for cleanliness and order are killed by confinement in a dirty and ugly room, grow into a manly man or a womanly woman?

Some time ago the Skinner boys, at Cooper, were arrested for disturbing a public meeting, and Monday were tried before the local justice on that charge, County Attorney Walcott being present to prosecute. The boys were discharged.

A. E. Thacher returned from Omaha last Friday night, and the Hungry Four is complete once more. Al says Omaha is quite a thriving little village now, and all they lack is a depot and a fair to make the town complete.

A new school house means work for the laborer, health for the children and prosperity for the town.

Tomorrow the citizens of Valentine will record themselves for progress.

Telephone Wire Broke.
Last Friday night the telephone wire between this place and Rosebud was accidentally broken, and Prof. Chas. Bredeson, blacksmith and H. B. Cox, clerk, started from the agency to find the break and repair same. The trouble was located about 8 miles northwest of town, and the boys came on in to the city. Life here was so pleasant that they did not return home until Monday.

Cut His Head.
While riding on a hand car Monday evening Dean Glover accidentally fell against the machinery which works the car and sustained a semi-circular scalp wound on the left side of his head just above the temple. The wound bled profusely but is not serious, Dr. Evans sewing the cut with five stitches, and Dean is at school the same as usual. Another boy came near being run over the same evening.

Serious Accident.
While playing on a pile of hay Tuesday evening Don MacDonald was accidentally pushed to the ground, striking on the back of his head. Dr. Evans was called and cared for the little fellow who seemed to be not seriously injured, but yesterday evening he was taken worse and in Dr. Evans' absence Dr. Lewis was called to see the boy. He is suffering from concussion of the brain, and may have a long spell of illness.

Serenaded Them.
When Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson arrived at their home in Fort Niobrara after being married here last Wednesday, they were greeted by numerous friends and were given a serenade by Leader Danl. M. Rice, Patrick J. Feeney, Lewis Stock, Wm. Simmons, George York, Augustus Fields, Herman Bruner and Lewis Clark, basso profundo and saxophone virtuoso. A splendid time was had by both the entertainers and the entertained.

Balances on Hand.
According to the semi-annual report of the county treasurer there was on hand Jan. 6th to the credit of the various funds, the amounts stated below. Treasurers' fees for the six months from July 1896 to January 1897 are also given in the table:

FUND	BALANCE	FEE
County General	\$ 500.43	371.04
County Sinking	2632.36	72.84
Road	2164.02	182.27
Bridge	3174.35	118.21
Judgment	288.21	9.63
School	6266.95	114.89
School Bond	3180.68	111.84
Fines	383.80	5.00
Valentine Village	383.24	29.28
Valentine Village Sinking	383.24	29.28
Interest	—	61.27
Advertising	—	3.99
Valentine Precinct Bond	229.80	3.37
Soldier's Relief	113.82	1.98

Episcopal Church News.
Miss Bertha K. Childs conducted services at the Episcopal church last Sunday evening, reading the service and afterward giving a short talk on "Personality" which could have been heard with profit by any church member. Miss Childs is an excellent reader, and the grand old service of the church takes an added beauty when conducted by her. She will be in Valentine several months, conducting services every Sunday evening when Rev. Bates is absent, and the people of Valentine should encourage her work by attending the services.

Sabbath school is held mornings now instead of afternoons.
Rev. Bates will conduct services Sunday morning and evening.

Valentine as a Dog Town
Gordon may have a lot of dogs, but its money to marbles that she hasn't a greater or more varied collection than Valentine. Everybody here owns dogs, and besides there are a lot which are unclaimed. We have dogs of all descriptions, sizes, ages and colors, and yet the people of Valentine are not dogmatic as a rule. The canines are a mild tempered lot, most of their fights being good natured, but an ordinance should be passed prohibiting part of them from roaming the streets at will. It certainly is not pleasant for a lady to have to get off the sidewalk and walk in the mud in order to avoid a pack of dogs, yet it is done every day—right on Main street, too. Owners should keep them at home a part of the time, at least.

OVERLOADED!



While it would hardly be true if we should say that we have a larger stock on hand than we ought yet it is true that we have more **Dry Goods, Groceries, Foot- and Headwear Clothing and Notions and especially Winter Goods** Than we care to carry, and we are putting exceptionally low prices on them in order to make them go faster so we will have room for our spring stock. Come in and get a few of the many bargains we offer.

DAVENPORT & THACHER

DIDN'T YOU KNOW
That the best place in town to buy fresh fruits and vegetables is at Pettycrew's?
DIDN'T YOU KNOW
That the best place in town to buy groceries and confectionery is at Pettycrew's?
DIDN'T YOU KNOW
That the highest price for butter and eggs is always paid at Pettycrew's?
If you didn't, try him and you will

NECK WEAR

We have just received the finest and most complete line of Neckwear ever seen in Valentine. We have in the assortment Windsor Four-in-hands Bows Scarfs Flies etc., etc.

And we have them in all colors and qualities. Some of the handsomest ties ever manufactured. See them 20 per cent reduction on Mens, Boys and Youths Overcoats

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Do not be deceived by alluring advertisements and think you can get the best made, finest finish and **BEST POPULAR SEWING MACHINE** for a mere song. Buy from reliable manufacturers that have gained a reputation by honest and square dealing. There is none in the world that can equal in mechanical construction, durability of working parts, ease of finish, beauty in appearance, or has so many improvements as the **NEW HOME**. **WRITE FOR CIRCULARS.** The New Home Sewing Machine Co. CHICAGO, ILL. ST. LOUIS, MO. DALLAS, TEXAS. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. ATLANTA, GA. FOR SALE BY

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