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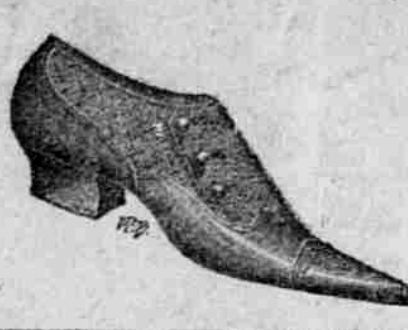
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Cherry county will save \$200 per year in rent and \$100 per year in fuel by voting for a new court house. In 20 years that saving will amount to \$6,000, without counting interest.

602 votes were cast on the court house question last fall, and 508 ballots were cast neither for nor against the proposition. Friends of economy in county government should get out to the election on May 4.

The democratic party swallowed our principal plank in 1896—Free Silver at 16 to 1. In 1898 they will have to swallow the government ownership and land planks or the party will find itself following the populist procession.—Lincoln Post.

"The proper title of the Dingley Bill," says the Kansas City Times, "would seem to be an act to rescuscitate the democratic party." It would be if the party were united for a strictly revenue tariff and against land money. With those conditions, the Dingley bill would be a bill of lading via the Short Line straight to the White House.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The World Herald says that THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT has called a meeting of the democratic editors of the north half of the sixth district to meet at Valentine. As the editor of THE DEMOCRAT is the only democratic editor in that territory, there ought to be a "full" attendance.—Keosauqua Call.

That's right; there will be a full attendance, but we will wager a font of type that the attendants will not be full, even if they are democratic.

Phoebe Cousins, the veteran woman suffragist, has at last decided that woman has no place in public life or politics. In a recent interview she said:

Women in public life will never prove satisfactory, there are limitations that proscribe her success. She is naturally a housekeeper. I would advise all young women to marry and become housekeepers. Twenty years ago I, with other new converts, believed that suffrage for women would prove a panacea for all of the evils of politics. I believed that women in public life would prove a regenerating influence. After twenty years of close observation and experience I have come to the conclusion that women are no better than men.

The Amstoveth Star-Journal asks: "If a meeting of the republican editors of this part of the state should be called, wouldn't you accept on invitation, Bob?" Of course we would, if we could get to the place of meeting. We realize that we are not the only boulder on the hill, and that there are

JUST ONE YEAR AGO.

THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT was issued under the present management just one year ago this week, and we hope and trust it will continue to be so issued for a score of years to come. The past year has been an eventful one. The democratic party has been retired from control of national affairs, the republican party has been ousted bag and baggage from the state house for the first time in its history and sheol has been raised in general in all parts of the country. Through it all THE DEMOCRAT has survived.

When the present proprietor located in Valentine there were five democratic papers in this immediate section of the state. Today there is but one, and a number of little would be politicians are trying to kill it. When the editor entered this journalistic field he announced his intention of doing a few things, as follows:

We shall to the best of our ability uphold and do battle for the principles of that (the democratic) party; but in so doing we shall endeavor to treat everyone fairly, regardless of political affiliations.

THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT will uphold the cause of every man who is unfairly dealt with, regardless of who the oppressor is or what position he holds.

We are here to give you the best paper Cherry county ever had. We do not intend to let politics blind us to anything which may be to the interest of our town or county.

Has the paper kept to these promises? Its readers can but answer yes. It has been thoroughly democratic. It has treated members of all parties in a respectful manner when they were deserving. It has upheld democrats, republicans and populists when they were unfairly dealt with. It has been the best paper, for news, in the county. It has always stood for advancement and improvement in both town and county. With such a record there is no reason why it should not receive the support of the people. It has no new declaration of principles to offer. The old ones are good enough and on them we stand.

The world moves and even republican congressmen sometimes change their minds. Said Chairman Dingley of the McKinley bill in 1890:

The greatest relief will be found by the transfer to the free list of sugar and molasses, because sugar and molasses have become as necessary articles of food as flour, and seven-eighths of our consumption is imported—a condition of things which, as both sides admit, makes the duty a tax that increases the burdens of the people nearly to the extent of the tariff. Said Chairman Dingley of the Dingley bill in 1897:

Last year ** the revenue from sugar was only \$29,500,000. There is little doubt that the increase of nearly three-fourths of a cent per pound in the duty will be sufficient to gradually develop beet sugar production in this country and that for the present it will increase the annual revenue \$20,000,000 (making \$50,000,000 from sugar).

The populist party dealt itself some very hard blows when it ousted the republican members of the legislature from Douglas county and forced the recount of the ballots on the constitutional amendments. The steals of the republican state treasurer and auditor would have been sufficient to elect every populist candidate two years hence, but not content with this they spoiled it all by trying to grab everything in sight and some things that were not. What a chance for democrats.

Some men's idea of getting even with an editor is to stop their paper; others insist on licking him every time he publishes something displeasing to them, and still others adopt the plan of rewarding him for all the good things he has ever said about them, but the former outnumber the latter three to one. Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.—Gordon Journal.

Something must be wrong at Lincoln. A fight among members of the legislature has not been reported for days.

The Dingley tariff bill to law and prosperity in gobs upon every common-

C. E. Bowring came in from Cheyenne, Wyoming yesterday morning after his trip through the northwest in the interest of Chamberlain & Co.

Herman Schaffer and Christ Baysal, of Omaha, were in town yesterday. These gentlemen are looking for a desirable location to start a cattle ranch.

M. J. Dolan, superintendent of construction of the Indian school, returned home from North Dakota Tuesday and went over to the school. The buildings will be completed about May 1.

With five residence buildings under process of construction, three more talked of, a livery stable being built, a school house under way and a court house in prospect, Valentine can certainly claim to have a building boom.

It is a popular superstition that it is extremely unhealthy to have a cat for a bed fellow. Two old maids at Longpine sleep with a feline, yet neither shows any symptoms of entering into a decline—they are even free from catarrh.

The recount farce at Lincoln is ended and the result shows the defeat of the amendments by about 4,500 votes. Cherry county was changed from 562 for and 310 against to 1165 for and 34 against! What corrupt election boards we must have had!

Jackson & Brayton yesterday received 50 pounds of German sugar beet seed, from Omaha. This seed will be sold at a price which will barely cover cost, and farmers who desire to experiment with beets should call early and secure some of the seed before the supply is exhausted.

Neligh is to have a beet sugar factory, and they did not blow much about it, either. If Cherry county people will work persistently and earnestly they may secure one of the coveted factories. Wind is good for agitation, but work only will secure improvements.

Bank Figures. According to the report of the condition of the various banks in this county there was on deposit March 24 the sum of \$81,576.03 divided among the banks as follows:

Cherry County Bank	\$49,214.73
Bank of Valentine	22,437.51
Bank of Lincoln	8,884.40
Total	\$81,576.03

The capital stock of the three banks is \$100,000. On the date mentioned their combined loans and discounts were over \$65,000.

Edinger Acquitted. Saturday's papers contain the following special from Denver which will be of interest to our readers: "C. I. Edinger, alias 'Los Angeles,' the United States soldier, just tried here for the murder of Officer Al Moore of this city, two years ago, was this morning declared not guilty by the jury, which was out nearly forty-eight hours. Edinger was discharged and will at once return to his company at Fort Niobrara, Neb."

Downfall of Turkey. Little things are sometimes the cause of great results. The Eastern question was solved in Valentine the other night by a waiter in a local restaurant, in about 15 seconds. A number of boys were to have a turkey for supper. While bringing the fowl to the table the hash slinger slipped, dropped the platter and the catastrophe resulted in the downfall of Turkey, the overthrow of Greece, the breaking up of China, and the disappointment of Hungary.

School Report. Term report of school district No. 48 for term beginning Jan. 11 and ending April 1, 1897.

No. of months taught, 3.
No. of days taught 89.
Total number of pupils attended 832.
No. of pupils enrolled 18.
Average daily attendance 13.
Average tardiness 47.
Those pupils who were neither tardy or absent during the entire term are Orville and Eve Carey.

Our school closed with a dinner in the day and although the weather was very bad the following program was rendered in the evening to a small but appreciative audience:

Song—Muscle's Call By School
 Bob's Turn Victoria Swartz
 The Church Organ Helen Swartz
 The Little Clock Eve Carey
 Tableau—Tired out Mabel Overman
 Mother's Way Pearl Carey
 My Kitty Tommy Swartz
 Dialogue—The Cherry Yetta Swerwein
 Dan and Dimple Levi Claybaugh
 Twenty Squaller Lizzie Brown
 Tableau—Raise the Gates Lizzie Brown
 The way to Heaven Lizzie Brown
 Song—Summer Time Lizzie Brown
 Revival Emil Swerwein
 Bob's Turn Victoria Swartz
 Kitty Kiew Helen Swartz
 Dialogue—The Dead Bird Yetta Swerwein
 The Forest Pearl Yetta Swerwein
 A Little Story Yetta Swerwein
 Class Recitation Yetta Swerwein
 A Frolic Yetta Swerwein
 The Greer Scholars Yetta Swerwein
 A Frolic Yetta Swerwein
 Tableau—Sunshine or Shower Yetta Swerwein
 What Bessie saw at the Circus Victoria Swartz
 Play—"The Two Sisters" Four Characters
 Swartz, Lizzie Brown,
 Orville Carey, Mabel Overman, Helen Swartz, Lizzie Brown,
 Closing Song—America By School

Gallop. Mr. and Mrs. Gallop spent Monday and Tuesday at Gordon.

James Enos, of Merriman, is on the river this week looking after his horses. James Enos was visiting at Wm. Burris' last week and reports a very pleasant time.

Misses Lura Gallop and Anna Sones visited at Kennedy Thursday and Friday of last week.

Mrs. Leeper, daughter and son contemplate locating at Nemo, S. D., in the near future.

April 1st has passed—a day that will undoubtedly be long remembered by E. L. Murphy and Frank Eaton.

Miss Mamie Murphy, one of Litchfield's most accomplished young ladies, has arrived here to spend the summer with her brother.

Andrew Dahlgrin has been confined to his bed for some time with pneumonia, but we are glad to note is rapidly recovering.

Frank Eaton, after "following the fashion" of wearing long locks, intends having his hair shingled when the weather gets warmer, and will probably make a shipment soon.

Miss Dollie Johnson, one of Harlan's charming school ma'am's, spent last week with Lura Gallop. Come again, Dollie, it makes James wear a 2 by 4 smile when you come down to "Saint's Rest."

We had the pleasure of seeing photo of the Gallop bridge lately which was a beautiful picture, that is, the couple that stood upon the bridge when taken. KELLY'S PA.

F. J. Stoltz, of Eldora, Illinois, was in town this week looking after some Cherry county lands in which he is interested.

Congressman Hovey's New Book. Have you read "What Christ Saw" by Hon. M. W. Hovey, Congressman from Alabama, Author of "If Christ Came to Congress" Sensational! Startling! The Author threatened with expulsion from Congress. Send 20 cents to the Author and procure a copy. Address Hon. M. W. Hovey, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

To Sioux City and Back in One Day. By taking the Pacific Short Line at O'Neill. Train arrives at Sioux City at 2:40 p. m., returning leaves at 5 p. m., making close connections at O'Neill in both directions. Connections also made with trains to and from Yankton, Sioux Falls, Mitchell, etc. Buy local tickets to O'Neill.

JUST OPENED. I have just opened a stock of groceries in the old Red Front building on Main street and respectfully solicit your patronage. Everything new and fresh. Produce taken in exchange.

J. M. CARPENTER

High Prices for Feed.	
Brum, bulk	40c per cwt \$7.00 ton
Shorts bulk	50c per cwt \$9.00 ton
Screenings	50c " \$6.00 "
Chop Feed	70c " \$13.00 "
Corn	50c "
Oats	65c "

Notice for the Herding Season. S. D. Downing living 2 1/2 miles east of Valentine will herd cows for the coming season for 20c per head. No charge for any under one year old. Those having no cattle not necessary to be taken home every night can be yarded with shelter and hay if stony after the 1st of May. No charge until May 1st. During April these wishes to have cows or cattle taken out when weather is suitable will be done without charge. March 25, 26 and 27 I will be in Valentine to make arrangements for the season. Also those wishing to have horses or colts pastured by the day week or month arrangements for the same will be made.

Proclamation for Special Election. Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Cherry county, in the state of Nebraska, that whereas, by reason of said county, at the regular meeting of said board, held on the 10th day of March 1897, at the court house, in Valentine in said county, for the purpose of setting upon the question of issuing and calling, not a special election, but a regular election, and furnishing a court house in said county of Cherry, and whereas, the board after due consideration believes that it would be wise and expedient to call such election, to issue said bonds, and whereas, said board having found that the assessed valuation of the taxable property of said county for the year 1896, is \$2,217,572 and that said county can be levied for the sum of \$122,000, and said board having ascertained that the highest price bonds could be negotiated for was one hundred and one dollars and 50c, therefore, notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 4th day of May next an election will be held at the various voting places in the several election precincts of said county, and the qualified voters of said precincts may vote upon the following proposition:

Shall the county board of Cherry County in the state of Nebraska, issue the coupon bonds of said county in the sum of \$122,000 for the purpose of building and furnishing a court house, said bonds to take effect June 1st 1897, and to draw interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year until the interest thereon has been fully paid, the principal and interest thereof being payable at the office of the county treasurer of said county, said bonds to become due on the first day of June 1917, providing that the county board of said Cherry county may at its option pay any of said bonds in advance of their maturity according to their number at any time after the expiration of ten years from the date of their calling effect. And shall the county board of said county also issue said bonds for the purpose of paying interest and principal of said bonds when due, and shall said county board issue said bonds to take effect June 1st 1897, and to draw interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year until the interest thereon has been fully paid, the principal and interest thereof being payable at the office of the county treasurer of said county, said bonds to become due on the first day of June 1917, providing that the county board of said Cherry county may at its option pay any of said bonds in advance of their maturity according to their number at any time after the expiration of ten years from the date of their calling effect. And shall the county board of said county also issue said bonds for the purpose of paying interest and principal of said bonds when due, and shall said county board issue said bonds to take effect June 1st 1897, and to draw interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of June and December in each year until the interest thereon has been fully paid, the principal and interest thereof being payable at the office of the county treasurer of said county, said bonds to become due on the first day of June 1917, providing that the county board of said Cherry county may at its option pay any of said bonds in advance of their maturity according to their number at any time after the expiration of ten years from the date of their calling effect.

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A LOT OF GINGHAMS

Have you seen them? We have about thirty different patterns and weights—every one of which is a bargain. Among them are all the standard colors and checks, besides a number that are new. This is the season when gingham are wanted, and we are prepared to supply the demand.

See our window displays.

RED FRONT

JACKSON & BRAYTON, PROPRIETORS

Sole agents for the famous FLEXIBONE CORSETS

The well known stallion Billy Barnes will make the season at Snyder & Vincent's barn in Valentine.

U. S. Land Office, Valentine, Neb., April 6th 1897. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at Valentine, Neb., on May 10th 1897, viz:

Andrew J. Barnes, of Cody, Neb. H. E. No. 10224 for the lots 3 and 4, of Sec 24 Tp. 25 R. 25.

Joseph A. Rose, of Cody, Neb. H. E. No. 9284 for the nw 1/4 Sec 25 Tp. 25 R. 24. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph A. Rose, John E. Hendricks, William Hook and Edward S. Hanks all of Cody, Neb. also.

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U. S. Land Office, Valentine, Nebraska, March 22nd 1897. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of intention to make final proof before the Register and Receiver at their office in Valentine, Neb., on Wednesday the 24th day of May, 1897, on Patent application No. 7827, for the ne 1/4 Sec 22 Tp. 34n R. 24w.

He names as witnesses: Frank Kludewski, of Kilgore, Neb., Richard L. Mansford, Stanislaw Kratowski and Robert Schulze of Nelz Nebraska, 7-12 C. R. GLOVER, Register.

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