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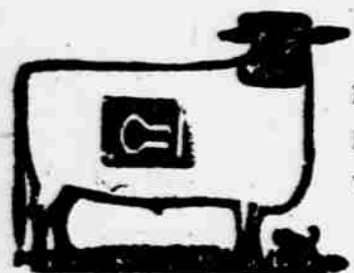
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Hyam, No. 74,538, at head of herd. Young bulls from 6 to 18 months old for sale.

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Brownlee, Nebr. Does general blacksmithing at hard times prices for cash.

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Valentine, Nebr. Good, Hard Rock for sale in any quantity.

H. M. CRAMER,

City Deliveryman. Trunks, valises and packages hauled to and from the depot and all parts of the City. Telephone 12.

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Barber. First-class Shop in Every Respect. Eau de Quintine Hair Tonic, Golden Star Hair Tonic, Herpicide and Coker's Dandruff Cure. Try Pompeian Face Massage Cream

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John Nicholson,

Dentist. Will be in Valentine on the 20, 21, 22 and 23rd of each month. Reserve your work for him. Office at Donohr House.

F. E. & M. V. R. R. TIME TABLE

Table with 4 columns: Direction, Train Name, Day, Time.

SOCIETIES.

K. of P. CHERRY LODGE NO. 169 meets 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 8:30.

VALENTINE LODGE NO. 2051. O. O. F Meets Thursday night each week.

MINNECHADZA LODGE A. F. & A. M. NO. 192.-Meets 2nd Tuesday each month.

A. O. U. W. NO. 70. Meets 1st and 3rd Monday of each month.

DEGREE OF HONOR NO. 110.-Meets 2nd and 4th Monday each month.

M. W. A.-Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesdays each month.

FRATERNAL UNION NO. 508.-Meets every Saturday night.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS.-Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month.

Sons and Daughters of Protection Lodge No. 6.-Meets 2nd and 4th Fridays each month.

Royal Highlanders, Devon Castle No. 291.-Meets 2nd Friday each month.

MILL PRICES FOR FEED.

Table with 3 columns: Item, Price, Unit.

ETTA BROWN SUPT. PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Examination Third Saturday of each month and Friday preceding.

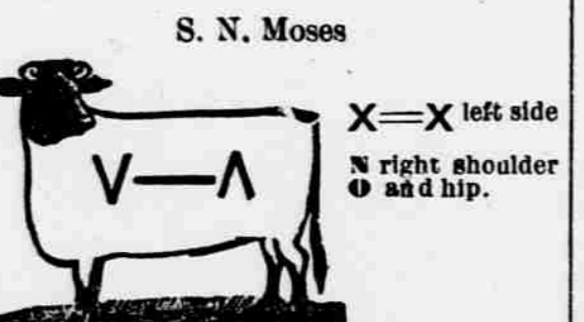
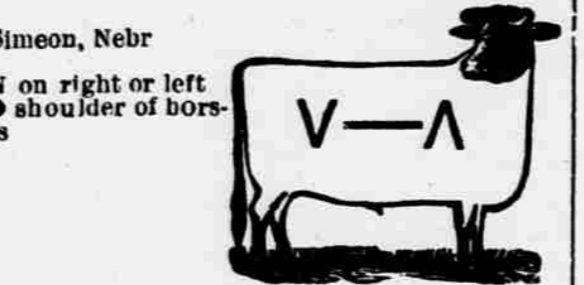
VALENTINE NEBRASKA

Paint, Wall Paper, Calcimine.

Brushes, Pure Linseed Oil Varnishes

Christensen's.

Moses & Hoffacker.



SEQUAH (3267)

Dark brown, Foaled Nov. 24th, 1889. Sire "Nimrod" (1066), by (867). Sequah's dam 289 Lady-"Comet" (151), by "Eclipse" (191) by "St. Giles" (687) by "Wildfire" bird F. S. Vol. 7 by Restless T. B. Sequah's G. dam by Larrywheat (T. B.)

He will stand for season of 1902 at Sherman's barn.

J. W. STETTER. Owner.

REFORM IS POSTPONED

Administration Will Leave the Trusts Undisturbed.

LUKEWARM PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Document Is a Victory For the Do Nothings-The Barons Do Not Fear Trust Controlled Congress-Tariff Will Continue to Protect the Trusts and Rob the People.

The fight in the ranks of the Republican party on the trust and tariff issues has resulted in the triumph of the Hanna faction. "Let well enough alone," or do as little as possible, is to be the programme in congress and not a vigorous reform of abuses which was promised before election.

It had been fondly hoped that President Roosevelt would add the weight of his great office to the side of the people and urge reform. But to the great regret of all who believe in "equal rights to all and special privileges to none" the lukewarm recommendations in the president's message are a victory for the do nothings.

If Mr. Morgan or Mr. Rockefeller had been president and had written the message or decided upon its contents, it could not have been more conservative and the intention made more evident that no legislation of consequence will be attempted by congress.

The financial kings of Wall street, through their senatorial and congressional allies, appear to have by the force of numbers deluded the president into the belief that there is great danger of disturbing the business of the country if any reform is even attempted.

The juggernaut of Wall street, which ruthlessly ignores the cries of distress of those under their feet. The presidential recommendation for a tariff commission has for weeks been the demand of the principal Wall street organ, it being well known that the procrastinating workings of such a body would hinder rather than accelerate reform.

Regarding the power of congress to regulate the trusts the president is evidently in an uncertain mind and makes no specific recommendations or suggestions. He, however, acknowledges that it may be necessary to amend the constitution to give more power to congress.

It is safe to say that the present congress will pass no legislation that will injuriously affect the trusts or relieve the people from the exorbitantly high prices of the necessities of life that the protective tariff now allows the trusts to impose.

Thus the issues are joined between the Democrats and the party in power, and the final battle will be fought in the national campaign of 1904. Who can doubt the result? On the one side will be the great mass of consumers who find their incomes squandered to fill the pockets of the trust magnates; on the other side is the Republican machine, with its Wall street allies.

The bill introduced into the house of representatives was one to appropriate money for the establishment of a bureau of good roads. Good roads, we are told, would do good to all men.

A TAX ON TEA.

Coddling an Infant Industry That Will Want Protection.

The ghost of the lamented Le Duc still walks in Washington. It still gibbers of American tea. Here, for example, it bobs up in the annual report of the secretary of agriculture:

"The work on the growing of American tea was continued during the year at Pinehurst, near Summerville, S. C. In co-operation with Dr. Shepard. There are now about 100 acres in tea gardens. The yield of tea in these gardens last year was about 4,500 pounds, and this year will be about 9,000 pounds of marketable tea.

But let not the American tea drinkers rejoice over the development of this new industry. The success of these experiments will mean, not cheaper tea nor better tea, but a tariff on imported tea for the protection of the new infant, and a tariff on imported tea will mean dearer tea.

The American people may justly look with apprehension upon every such effort to diversify industry. Tobacco users for a generation have paid royal tribute to a handful of Connecticut tobacco growers whose pitiful industry has been coddled by the government at the cost of the people.

Secretary Wilson's tea farm is only another menace to the happiness and well being of the American people.—Johnstown Democrat.

A SIGN OF DISCONTENT.

Reason For the Great Increase in the Socialist Vote.

The Republicans are looking for an explanation of the great increase in the Socialist vote at the recent elections. The party of "stand patters" in special privileges and distributors of vested wrongs need not look far for the explanation.

"It has repeatedly been shown that the friends of revolutionary changes derive their motive power from the bigoted opponents of progress and from the stubborn upholders of unwise laws and unjust privileges. It might as well be supposed that the railway engine would move if it were deprived of steam, that wheat could grow without soil or that man could live without food as to imagination that a revolutionary propaganda could be maintained if it were not kept alive by the recollection of some wrong inflicted and by the continuance of some evil unredressed."

Not only will socialism continue to increase rapidly, but it will soon be the law of the land if effective measures are not taken to curb the power of the trusts. The people may do some foolish things and jump in wrong directions when they see danger ahead, but they will not much longer stand still while the trusts plunder them.

Generosity of the Railroads.



Why Build Good Roads?

The first bill introduced into the house of representatives was one to appropriate money for the establishment of a bureau of good roads. Good roads, we are told, would do good to all men.

But why have good roads? Do we really believe in them? They are certainly opposed to our system of government, which builds tariff walls and barb wire fences between us and foreigners. Our tariff wall is harder to cross with goods than the highest mountain range or the widest ocean.

An exchange says: "A man came in the other day with what he thought to be a conundrum; Why is a newspaper like a woman?" The various answers given are: Because it has someone to run it. Because both have to be known to be appreciated.

An amusing extract from a Belgian paper gives the following incident: A woman whose husband had lost his life in a railway accident received from the company ten thousand francs by way of compensation.

Down the River.

The roads are in very bad order at present.

Hay will be very scarce by spring if the snow keeps on much longer.

Harvey Johnson went to Valentine the first of the week to work on the ice.

Mrs. Lon Nollett and Mrs. Robidou went to town Tuesday and returned home Wednesday.

The Xmas tree given by school district No. 33-4 was well attended and all enjoyed a good time.

The New Year opened with nice weather. Hope it will stay nice weather the remainder of the year.

Dock Grooms is breaking horses these days. This snow is a bad thing for the horses but all right for the rider.

A. W. Grooms had very good luck in turning over his summer herd, he found everything except one red yearling heifer, branded ZZ on left side.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Taylor gave a New Year's dinner this year. There were about 40 people present. New Years was also their anniversary.

YOUNGSTER.

The Greatest of its Kind.

The excellent record of the "Mercantile" is attracting much attention. It now has in Nebraska over seven thousand policy holders and over six million dollars of insurance in force.

The Mutual Insurance people of the state can be proud of the fact that Nebraska has within its borders some of the very strongest Mutual companies in the world. Many both farm and city whose policies are as good as gold anywhere and the reputation of which goes unquestioned.

These companies are represented by I. M. Rice of Valentine. In

these companies toget German Mutual of Om. written thousands of dol. surance for people in V. Crookston. Cody, Mei Gordon, Wooklake and thr out Cherry Co. There has n been a question as to the reliabil... of these mutual companies and those holding policies in them can testify to the saving in cost of insurance. There should be no discrimination against them because they have saved thousands of dollars to policy holders, and insurance rates have been lowered 25 per cent by virtue of the existence of these companies, in which even those opposed to mutual insurance have profited. They insure city and farm property, school houses and churches.

The Commoner, Mr. Bryan's paper will be especially interesting and instructive during the present session of congress. The action of this congress will probably determine the issues upon which the next presidential campaign will be fought.

In addition to the editorial department, which receives Mr. Bryan's personal attention, the Commoner contains a Current Topic department, wherein a non-partisan discussion of topics of timely interest and other valuable information will be found. The Home Department is conducted by an experienced woman who is widely known as a writer of household topics and who is an authority on the art of cooking in all that the term implies.

Arrangements have been made with Mr. Bryan whereby The Commoner can be supplied at a very low rate with THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT, both papers for one year for \$1.65.

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An Emperor's Strange Fancy. Strange fancies have taken hold of some men regarding the manner in which their bodies were to be disposed of after death and the ceremonies to be observed at their funerals.

Too Good Highlanders. Some years ago a vote was taken among the men of a certain highland regiment (at that time not wearing the kilt) to find out how many would be in favor of wearing the highland costume.

Struck For \$16 a Day. In San Francisco in 1849 clerks in stores and offices had munificent salaries. Five dollars a day was the smallest stipend even in the custom house, and one Baptist preacher was paid \$10,000 a year.

All Tastes Provided For. Sam-Did de pawson tell his flock dat St. Peter would give dem each a hamp? Remus-No; he knew bettah. He told dem dat St. Peter would give dem each a banjo.—Philadelphia Record.

What Started the Jar. Wife-I wonder how you can look me in the face. Husband-Oh, a man can get used to anything.—New York Times.

It's easier to explain your neighbor's failure than your own misdirected efforts.—Chicago News.

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