

THE VALENTINE DEMOCRAT

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E. L. McElderry was in town Tuesday.

Corn Shellers, both hand and power. LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Bob Gillespie is in town from the Arkansaw valley.

Robert Webb is home from Fremont to spend the holidays.

A. W. Grooms was in town yesterday and stayed over night.

The R. R. company has built a new water tank at their yards.

T. L. Tinkham, of Wood Lake, was in town yesterday on business.

Repair that wall before winter. LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Miss Larra Pettijohn came up from Fremont Normal to spend the holidays.

J. C. Dahlman, of Omaha, and C. W. Allen, of Merriman, were in town last week.

The most complete line of lumber in the Northwest. LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Prof. Safranek announces the band concert will be held Jan. 6th in the M. E. church.

We noticed John A. Gee at church in town Sunday from his ranch near Kennedy.

Roy DeWoody was in town during the holidays visiting his sister Mrs. Brayton and friends.

Try our Fiber Wall Plaster. LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Judge Walcott and wife went down to Long Pine to eat Christmas dinner. They returned last evening.

The Misses Holcomb, Miss Nelson and Mrs. L. C. Sparks went down to Lincoln Tuesday to attend the State Teachers Association.

Geo. Harden has opened up a shop in the old office of the Ludwig Lumber Yard and is doing repair work on guns and light machinery.

Miss Lou Webb went down to Fremont Monday and from there joined the teachers in a visit to Lincoln to attend the State Teachers meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Collins have given up the Cody hotel and are in town seeking a location. We welcome them and hope they can be induced to remain here.

J. A. Sparks, who has been quite low with typhoid fever and erysipelas the past two weeks, is now getting along pretty nicely and is able to sit up some.

Ellsworth DeFrance, who robbed the U. S. mail at Gordon about 10 years ago and received a life sentence for it, was pardoned the 23rd and returned to Gordon.

The ladies of the M. E. church will serve oysters and lunch at Bethel hall on New Year night from five until half-past eight o'clock. Oysters 25c., lunch 15c or 35c for all.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cornell have been occupying their fine new house the past two weeks. The old house was sold to Howard Layport and moved to the lot west of Sheriff Layport's.

Miss Dora Davis, of York, Neb., visited friends in this city a few days the past week. Miss Davis is remembered by many as the trimmer in Miss Efner's millinery store two years ago the past season.

NEW STORE

—Just opened up a stock of—
Dry Goods, Notions, Clothing, Furnishing Goods, Shoes and Flour.

Next door to Democrat office.

A. JOHN & ABDALLAH.

Local Weather Record
U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau
Valentine, Nebraska, week ending 6 a. m., December 30, 1903
Maximum temperature 52 degrees
Minimum temperature, 07 degrees
Mean temperature, 28 degrees
Total precipitation, .05 inch.
D. P. McCALLUM,
Official in Charge.

Special dispatch to Mr. Post states that the Chicago opera house burned last night and 600 people perished.

John J. O'Donnell, who is to have permanent charge of the Valentine weather office, arrived this morning from Bridgetown, Barbadoes, West Indies, and will assume his duties here in a few days.

T. B. Irwin was in the city yesterday on business and visiting friends. He is one of the old timers in the western part of Cherry county and is interested in the cattle business near Gordon and in the banking business in Gordon.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cornell last Saturday evening, Dec. 26, 1903, a son. The young man came a day too late for a Christmas present but was welcomed none the less. Mr. Cornell put up the cigars all around on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Efner returned from Chadron Monday where they had been to visit their son Dean and family. Mrs. Efner had been up to Chadron for several weeks and Mr. Efner went up Christmas eve to visit and accompany his wife home. Dean has a boy.

Miss Leta Stetter, one of the brightest pupils of Valentine school during her school days here, came home from Lincoln, where she has been attending the university, to spend the holidays with relatives and friends. Miss Stetter was correspondent for THE DEMOCRAT during her last year at school and everyone who read her items was pleased with originality and breadth of thought displayed.

Woodmen Please Take Notice.

The M. W. A. supper and joint installation of officers with the Royal Neighbors will take place on Wednesday evening Jan. 13, instead of Jan. 6 as announced in THE DEMOCRAT two weeks ago.

NEW YEARS AT THE DONOHER, 1904

- MENU**
- Soup
 - Oyster
 - Olives
 - Celery
 - Fish
 - Lake Trout
 - Roast
 - Turkey with Dressing—Cranberry Sauce
 - Goose—Plum Jelly
 - Short Ribs of Beef—Chili Sauce
 - Entree
 - Oyster Patties
 - Banana Fritters
 - Vegetables
 - Mashed Potatoes
 - Baked Sweet Potatoes
 - Stewed Tomatoes (Spanish style)
 - French Peas
 - Dessert
 - Mince Pie
 - Pumpkin Pie
 - English Plum Pudding
 - Strawberry Sherbet
 - Assorted Cake
 - Coffee
 - Cheese
 - Tea

Dinner at 5 o'clock. Price 50c.

J. C. WEBB, Propr.

Christmas exercises were well attended at the Presbyterian and M. E. churches in this city. Christmas trees were loaded with presents which made the old feel young and the young feel gay.

Wm. Brown, living 3 1/2 miles northeast of Crookston, has lost 6 head of cattle: 3 steers and 3 heifers. Three of them are branded half circle S high behind left shoulder. Other 3 not branded. All two-year olds, red and white spotted, excepting one red heifer branded. Notify W. F. Brown, Crookston, Nebr., and get reward. 50 4

Town Herd.
I desire to again run the town herd of cows the following summer beginning about April 1st if the weather is favorable. I thank the people of Valentine for past favors and hope to merit their patronage. 50 tf

\$50.00 REWARD

will be paid for information leading to the recovery of one brown mare about 10 years old, branded H S L under mane. Said animal was stolen from my homestead northeast of Valentine.
F. W. MUMFORD,
50 Valentine, Nebr.

Free Single Tax Literature

Single Tax Literature will be sent free to any one who writes for it. Single Tax Information Bureau, 1467 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Portland, Ore. and Return \$50.00

via the Great Northern Line, account meeting National Live Stock Association in Jan. Excursion tickets on sale Jan. 6th to 9th, final return limit Jan. 31, 1904.

Choice of several routes returning, rate returning via San Francisco \$70.25.

Stop-overs allowed at intermediate points. For full information, apply to any agents Great Northern Line, or to Fred Rogers, G. P. A., Sioux City, Iowa.

Real Estate Transfers

- U S to Geo Coleman, pat nwse swne 7 31 28
- U S to Homer Myrre, pat sw 15 32 39
- U S to August Schulz, pat ene swne senw 2 34 31
- Geo Beer to Julia C Shepard, w d \$650 lot 1 blk 2 cd ad Valentine
- Stanley L Clark and wf to Charles Barrett, w d \$6000 se 22 ene sw 27 35 26
- Rout Quisenberry and wf to W G & H G Sawyer, w d \$1 wae nwse 1 29 29
- W G & H G Sawyer and wives to Rout Quisenberry, w d \$275 nw 4 31 30
- W G and wf & H G Sawyer and wf to Addie Butler, qcd \$1 sw 4 31 40
- H S Lockwood to Alf J Bradley, wd \$500 lot 14 blk 15 Valentine.
- U S to Edgar W Levee, pat ne 12 32 26
- U S to Eva Razy, R R \$200 swne snw nwsw 1 31 29
- Jas Nolan and wf to Solomon Ellis, w d \$1000 lot 4 sec 18 31 29
- Eva Razy to Solomon L Ellis, w d \$550 swne snw nwsw 1 31 29
- Rout E Evans to The Sparks Cement Co., w d \$10 2 acres in ne 10 34 25
- L N Layport shff to J L Hibbs S D \$167 sw 35 ese 34 35 34
- Abbie Smith and hus to Wm Joplin w d \$100 lot 5 blk 9 Cornell's ad

TIME TABLE Great Northern Line at O'Neill, Nebr

Going East, Going West
Leaves 10:10 a. m. Arrives 9:50 p. m.
Passenger, daily except Sunday.
Connections with Elkhorn trains east and west bound from all points west of O'Neill. Shortest route to Sioux City and beyond.
Through connections for Sioux Falls, Minneapolis, St. Paul and all points north and west by local freights to O'Neill.
FRED ROGERS, G. P. A., Sioux City, Iowa.

R-I-P-A-N-S Tablets

Doctors find a good prescription for mankind

The 5-cent packages are enough for usual occasions. The family bottle (60 cents) contains a supply for a year. All druggists sell them.

New Year's "Oh, Promise Me"

MAKE me a promise, sweet,
That you will keep it away—
A promise, I repeat,
To be renewed throughout the year,
Every golden day.

Forswear no whim or wile
That conquered me of old,
Nor promise me your smile,
Your passing from your foolish tear—
To temper or withhold.

Forget no tiny dot
Of girlish vanity,
Nor strive for higher thought
Than has enriched your past, so dear
And helpful unto me;



REMAIN YOUR SWEET, UNCHANGING SELF.

Nor starve the dainty pride
That lives and dies again,
Had trouble never lived and died
I could not know how very near
Your balm is to your pain.

Not one wee ash of fire
Extinguish in your heart,
For I do so admire
The warmth and afterglow, I fear
To see the ash depart.

Lay not one gift of thine
To rust upon the shelf,
But make a promise, mine,
That you'll remain the whole glad year
Your sweet, unchanging self.
—New York Herald.

NEW YEAR'S GIFT ANNUALS

Curious Volumes In Vogue For Presents Half a Century Ago.

Even in the earlier days, when New Year's gifts were comparatively common, the idea of a gift for a gift was too suggestive of the friendship of central Africa not to lead the makers of such gifts to look for something suggestive of the new year, and this demand was largely responsible for that large output of literature in the shape of "gift annuals," now found in the attics and lumber rooms of all families of long established residence. These curious volumes seem to have sprung into existence, multiplied and passed away during the years between 1830 and 1870. A few of them are distinctly religious in character, but the majority are made up much after the fashion of a modern ten cent magazine without the advertisements. Poems, tales and beautiful touching little moral essays make up the letter-press, while the illustrations are steel engravings, often of a high order. The binding is usually calf, sometimes morocco and seldom in the best of taste. An excess of ornamentation and a too lavish use of gold leaf are apparent in every instance. Gift edges were a sine qua non in the days of gift annuals.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

Strange New Year's Custom In Russia

In France the New Year's day corresponds pretty closely in its social observance to our Christmas. In Russia at every country home there are a procession and feast in honor of the day, horses, cows, sheep and hogs being gayly dressed with garlands and led to the landlord's house. An essential part of the programme is that the animals shall be taken into the dining room, but when the landlord does not care to have a nice apartment spoiled by this human and beastly procession he fits up a large room on the ground floor with tables and benches.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

The Mistletoe at New Year's.

The Druids blessed and distributed the sacred mistletoe at New Year's. The Saxons observed it with festivities and gifts. With the Chinese it is a festival and includes a yearly settlement of accounts.

Retired—the Old Year.

The old year is a soldier brave,
Whose march is ended now;
His cloak is rent with wind and storm;
Their scars are on his brow.
He started out a slender boy
With youthful fervor fired,
But that was twelve long months ago,
And now he is retired.

The frost is white upon his beard;
The snow is on his head,
He wore a plume of daffodils;
The daffodils are dead.
The eagle eye, the fearless step,
The graces we admired,
Are far behind him on the road—
The old year is retired.

The new year came a young recruit
At midnight's silver chime
And fell in line to shoulder arms
And march with Father Time.
Our true and faithful comrade's term
Of service has expired.
Salute him as he passes out—
The veteran is retired.
—Miss Irving in Leslie's Weekly.

Jas. E. Pepper W. H. McBrayer Canadian Club

THE ELDORADO

Geo. N. Hershey, Propr.

All the standard brands of Whiskies, domestic and imported Wines, Gordon's Dry Gin, and Cigars of the choicest brands. Blue Ribbon Bottled Beer a speciality.

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THE OWL SALOON JAMES B. HULL Proprietor.

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Choicest Wines and Cigars.

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Maximum of Life
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Cor. 17th and Farnam St.
Omaha Nebr.

Tracewell & Bonser
Livery, Feed and Sale Stable
PHONE 44.

We have gone to considerable expense of rebuilding and enlarging our barn to make room for hay and grain and to accommodate people who drive in and want to care of their teams while in town. We are now prepared to do this and have plenty of Hay and Grain and lots of stable room. We have new rigs and good horses. Horses for sale. Baled Hay always on hand.

TRACEWELL & BONSER.

THE VALENTINE HOUSE
Valentine, Nebraska

RATES \$1.00 to \$1.25. C. D. JORDAN, Propr.
Opposite the Court House, 2 1/2 blocks north of Depot.

Business Notices

Notices under this heading 5 cents per line each insertion. Among reading matter, 10 cents per line each insertion.

All kinds of heavy hardware and wagon wood stock at E. Breuklanders. 20-1f

Good fresh Meat and Lard at Stetters Meat Market. 26

I am now ready to take orders for fine Knit Underwear for ladies and children. MRS. ELMORE. 36

Genuine home made Lard at the new Butcher Shop. 26

For all kinds of Undertaking Goods and Undertaking work call on the Red Front Merc Co. 27

Do not pump water by hand. Buy the old reliable Eclipse Wind Mill. 47 LUDWIG LUMBER CO.

Ladies and Misses Skirts.
Orders taken for Ready-Made Tailor Skirts at reasonable prices. MRS. ELMORE.

The Red Front Merc. Co. carry a complete line of sporting goods.

READ THIS.
960 Acre Farm and Ranch, five miles northwest of Valentine, good improvements, all fenced and cross fenced, one hundred and eighty acres in cultivation, balance meadow and pasture; price \$4000, one-fourth down, your own time on the balance at 7 per cent. 48 F. M. SEGER.

Report of school district No. 48 for the month beginning Nov. 23, and ending Dec. 18, 1903. Number of days taught, 19; pupils enrolled, 10; average attendance, 8. MAUDE TRACEWELL, Teacher.