

Local.

J. A. Sparks and M. A. Brown of Alliance went down to D. A. Hancock's a few days ago and sold Dave a dipping vat.

Miss Laura Seger came up from Nels Rowley's Manday to visit a few days with her uncle F. M. Seger and wife before they go to Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Logan, of Norden, were Valentine visitors the first of this week at the home of Mrs. Shore. Mr. Logan is the Norden banker.

On March 24th L. C. Sparks gave his daughter Helen 5 shares in the Valentine B. & L. for a birthday present. This will be a \$1000 cash in about 10 years.

Rev. Wells' family, consisting of a wife and three children, moved into the Episcopal rectory Tuesday. Glad to welcome them to our city. They came here from Schuyler, Neb., Saturday.

If you have a drive to make or a team to feed, call on Shepard Bros. Your teams will be properly cared for. They have good rigs, good horses and right prices. Give them a call.

10 SHEPARD BROS., Prop.

L. H. Perkins called at our office last Thursday, just as we were going to press with samples of his Pingree seed potatoes which we placed in our office window for inspection. Mr. Perkins asks us to put a local in our paper telling the people that he has seed potatoes for sale.

Miss Leora West, of Woodlake, entertained about twenty-five guests at her home Saturday evening in honor of her birthday. Games of various kinds were played, followed by dainty refreshments and a jolly time was reported by all who were present. The following from Valentine were in attendance: Misses Bertha Harvey, Nellie Easley, Bertha Gaskill and Ethel Sherman; Messrs. Roscoe Fischer, Rollin Robinson, Floyd Pettycrew and Wallace McDonald.

Last Thursday evening the citizens of Valentine held a caucus in the court room to nominate three candidates for the village council which resulted in the unanimous choice of Geo. Elliott and Charles Sparks renominated, and Gus Carlson was chosen in place of Joe Yeast. Since no other candidates were nominated the citizens ticket is the only one in the field and the nominees are practically elected without the formality of an election which only adds expense and time to legalize the nominations of Thursday night.

Ludwig Lumber Co. got a car of lumber last week from Texas, which is the lowest shipping rate of any lumber districts, being 45c per cwt. The lumber cost \$99.32 and the freight on the same was \$252.77. The railroads get the biggest share of profits on everything shipped and they are getting more oppressive each year. A car of lumber shipped from Puget Sound to southern Michigan goes at the rate of 65c per cwt. From the same point to Valentine the railroads charge 76c per cwt., though this is less than half the distance to Mich. These are facts as given us by Mr. Sparks.

The third division of the high school entertainments was held Friday evening in the M. E. church and was greeted by a large audience. The entire program was a success and much credit is due the class for the creditable manner in which each declaimed. The musical part of this program was particularly good, each number being encoored and thoroughly enjoyed by the audience, especially we might mention the flute solo by Mr. McLean and the instrumental duet by Messrs. Floyd Pettycrew and Frank Fischer. Oliver Walcott and Chas. Brown each brought down the house with their eloquence, Oliver on the Sandwich Islands by Mark Twain and Charles on Seth Peters' report of Webster's speech.

John Sellack was in town yesterday leading a four horse team with lumber for his new house that he is building which is grotto walls.

Here are some of the sales made by the Ludwig Lumber Co. the past week on John Deere implements:

- Ben Hobson, Valentine... 1 Cultivator
Myron Gogswell " " " " "
John Day, Woodlake... 1 plow, 1 sulky lister, 1 plow, 1 lever harrow and 1 disc harrow.
L. K. Travis, St. Marys Mission, 1 cultivator
A. E. Brown, Crookston, 1 lister and 1 plow
John Novak, Britt... 1 sulky lister
John Grooms, Sparks... 1 sulky lister
Geo. Foster, Valentine... 1 disc harrow
D. A. Melton " " do
Nels Fellen " " do
W. T. Brown " " do
and 1 buggy.
Mat House " " 1 lever harrow.
John Hittle, Penbrook do

It pays to advertise. Let THE DEMOCRAT hunt up customers for what you have to sell. It pays to hunt customers. If you don't the other fellow will and you'll be sorry. The customer is also pleased, for it brings him face to face with a bargain and both are pleased. One wants to sell, another wants to buy.

C. V. Thorn drove down from Rosebud last week and took the next morning train for Lincoln to consult a specialist for ear trouble. A few days previous he had suddenly become deaf, and fearing that he had lost his hearing he was very much alarmed as to his condition. He was able to hear a little Thursday evening, but having been deaf in one ear for 20 years had formed a habit of catching words and sentences from a speaker by the shape of the mouth in articulating, he was able to get along fairly well in conversation. At Lincoln Mr. Thorn found a specialist who discovered the cause of his recent deafness in his good ear to be a decayed bone of the ear drum which had fallen, obstructing the waves of sound from the tympanum to the cochlea. The specialist removed this bone and Mr. Thorn returned Monday evening minus the malleus or anvil of his good ear but can hear better than for some time previous. He reports his father's family in good health and all doing well.

Maxwell, a colored man who has been Capt. Cronin's "striker" for about a year past, hung himself last Friday morning in the wood shed. Maxwell had gotten up as usual Friday morning, built the fires and went to the cook's door to call "Mary," a colored girl who was employed as cook. Maxwell called to her as he knocked on her door, "good by Mary, I'm going to kill myself." Mary had probably heard these threats before and paid little attention to him. About five minutes later Maxwell was found dangling at the end of a rope in the wood shed. He had piled up boxes and trunks as a platform, and, after putting the rope around his neck and over the rafters of the wood shed, he kicked his platform over and was there hanging when found but a moment after life had become extinct. He had done his work well—perhaps better than he intended. It is said that Maxwell had become infatuated with Mary who was the apple of his eye, and because she didn't care for him he thought he could not live without her.

The sale of the effects of the late A. E. Thacher in front of the old First National bank building resulted in drawing several hundred persons together from town and the surrounding country, each eager for something that they might fancy or desire. The sale had been well advertised and Geo. Tracewell had a crowd of purchasers for every article from the first of the sale. In fact he could not beat 'em back with a stick as they kept crowding around his box where he stood as the mighty man of old, crying, "going, going, going" and, "25, make it 30, 30 I've got, gimme the five" and so on until people raised their own bids for fear that someone else had bid at the same time they bid last. Furniture brought more than first cost. Anything that looked like 5 brought 25, and like 25 brought a \$1. Books sold like First Nation-

al bank stock and old magazines like choice music. Geo. Tracewell has established his reputation as an auctioneer and can come as near hypnotizing a crowd as John Edward O'Sullivan Addicks did the Boston gas officials, if you'll only advertise your sale and get him the crowd.

No Election This Year.

The bi-ennial election bill, house roll 235, passed the senate yesterday morning. The three companion bills shifting odd year elections to the time of electing the state ticket were also passed. State or county officers hold over another year whose terms expired next fall.

Sparks Quills.

Mr. Geyer went to town Monday.

Wm. Allen went to town Monday.

Wm. Graddy went to town Saturday.

Henry Grooms went to town the first of the week.

Mr. Copeland went down to Norden Saturday on business.

Our merchant, Mr. Callen, went to town Monday for supplies.

Thad Jelly has a colt with a broken leg, kicked by another horse.

Sparks is building right along. Last week Judge Stillwell, Deacon Schatzthauer and Walter Johnston moved in.

Mr. Allen, who was crippled up in a runaway about a month ago, we are glad to report is fairly on the road to recovery.

Eagle and Porcupine will get all the news from this part as the one goes overhead while the other takes the ground for it.

Mrs. Kuskie and Miss Starr went to town Saturday. Miss Starr closed a successful term of school at Highland the 24th.

Porcupine lost his mule. Guess he loped off with Joahn Hoch. Hoch went get no life insurance on dat mule. Better hab his own insured.

Mrs. Rosa Breachbill and father Mat Jelly went to town Monday. Mr. Jelly will build on the table this spring and has a nice frame house already started.

Mr. and Mrs. Logan, of Norden, went up to Valentine. Mr. Logan reports his little boy who has been crippled for a long time so he could not walk, is able to be about now under the treatment of Dr. Dwyer of Bonesteel.

John Owens found a fortune in a lead mine out at the sale Thursday. It was in the form of billy, about six inches long and tapered from about four inches around at one end down to about the size of a man's little finger at the other. John don't like the looks of such things, especially when they are coming at him.

Thadeous Jelly, of Sparks, had the misfortune of having an eye hurt Friday while sharpening his disk. He went to Ft. Niobrara Sunday and Dr. Brown found a small piece of steel had penetrated the outer coat of the eye. He gave Thad some medicine to ease the pain and will remove the steel about Wednesday.

The entertainment given at the Highland school house Friday night by the Highland literary society in honor of Miss Starr was a grand success. The school house was crowded, and then some. A fine program was carried out which was arranged for the occasion. After the program was finished a committee of two was appointed by Chairman Grooms to act as judges. The judges were Miss Laura Tillson of Penbrook and Miss Pearl Jelly of Sparks, these two selecting Martha Grooms of Penbrook as the third judge. Then lo! and behold! such a stack of fine cakes you never saw. The judges pronounced Mrs. S. C. Gorden's cake the prettiest, and with due ceremony they presented the same to Miss Starr, the only surprise, we believe, she received during the evening. Ice cream and cake were served and everybody enjoyed a nice time. PORCUPINE.

Report of Ward district, No. 2: Number of pupils enrolled, 15; those neither absent nor tardy during the month are Mary, John and Edwin House, and Arthur Hooper. No tardiness, except one morning, for the past five weeks.

Catholic Church Announcement.

Next Sunday no services will be held here. Mass will be said here on Sunday, April 9th. The Rev. Rather Perrig of St. Francis Mission will be here on that day to hear the confessions of those who make their Easter duty. Notice the change.

Business Notices.

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