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THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1907.

Had District Attorney Jerome gone after those insurance grafters half as hard as he is going after the Thaws, there might have been more cells occupied in the New York penitentiary.—Pierce County Leader.

It is with no little pride that we view the record of our representative, Hon. A H Metzger, from this district at the state capitol. We find him on hand attending to his duties as a legislator and always on the right side for and with the people. The influence of such men as Mr. Metzger in the legislature is a safegaurd to the people's interests and helps to strengthen the general feeling that we, the people, should rule rather than that a few lobbyists should control legislation.

A young married couple came out of the house the other morning and were speeding down the street. He was dressed to kill and she, with a hairpin in her mouth, was doing her best to pull on a pair of refractory gloves. "Why don't you dress in the house," he growled. And, continuing: "I would as soon see a woman put on her stockings on the street as her gloves." "Most men would," she said, sweetly, and then the silence was so intense that you could hear a gumdrop.—Ex.

From O'Neill Frontier, (rep.)

Of course it matters a whole lot to Nebraskans that the Los Angeles limited should be discontinued over the Union Pacific. Nobody but Pacific coast and eastern nabobs ever road on the train, and the traveling public in this state will have no kick because they no longer have to contribute 3 cents a mile so the Union Pacific can maintain bewheeled palaces for eastern and western millionaires.

The announcement that the railroads will fight the 2-cent passenger fare law in Nebraska is probably made for effect in other sections. One of the roads that had been held up as an example of the "injustice" of a 2-cent law complied with the same a day earlier than other roads, or twenty-four hours befor the law became effective. Other roads also put 2-cent rate into effect in the sale of mileage books weeks before the law was enacted.

When ministers and evangelists criticise and condemn their fellow citizens in a public utterance they lay themselves open to criticism. The ancient thought and custom that "kings can do no wrong" has been largely accorded the ministerial profession in withholding criticisms and too often they have been saved a just criticism by their cloak of righteousness which they profess to wear. They are amenable to public criticism in a greater measure than those who profess nothing and exalt themselves less. If a man deals fairly with his fellow men, stands up for the highest citizenship and morals of the community and is courteous, obliging and helpful in the promotion of the highest ideals and functions of society, he is as safe a citizen as he who has debauched himself and his associates with all the vices of mankind and spent the best of his years in riotous living, knowing no extreme which he has not pierced and finally compelled by the bankruptcy of his physical and financial resources to reform and throw himself upon the populace as a teacher and preacher of gospel doctrines and the correct mode of living. The man who has suddenly become wise is not to be trusted above those who have done no great wrongs, nor can the suddenly sanctified claim superiority over those who have always lived a decent, moral life though they may not be so humble and contrite nor need they be as the vile sinner who can never atone for the sins of his past to put him on the same level with a decent, moral man. The debtor who was forgiven the greatest debt, no doubt loved his Lord the more, but the chosen ones who had kept their lamps trimmed and burning needed no apologies nor excuses. The prodigal son was given the best robe upon his return and the fatted calf was killed but the father expressed his confidence in his other son to whom he said, "Thou art always with me and all that I have is thine."

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I. M. Rice.

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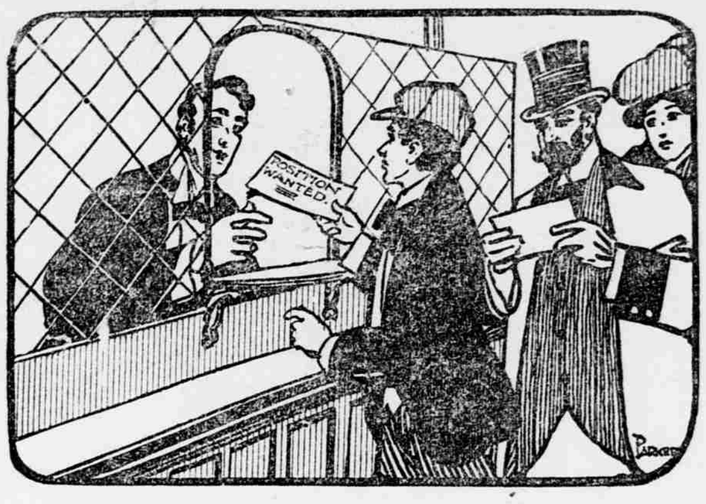
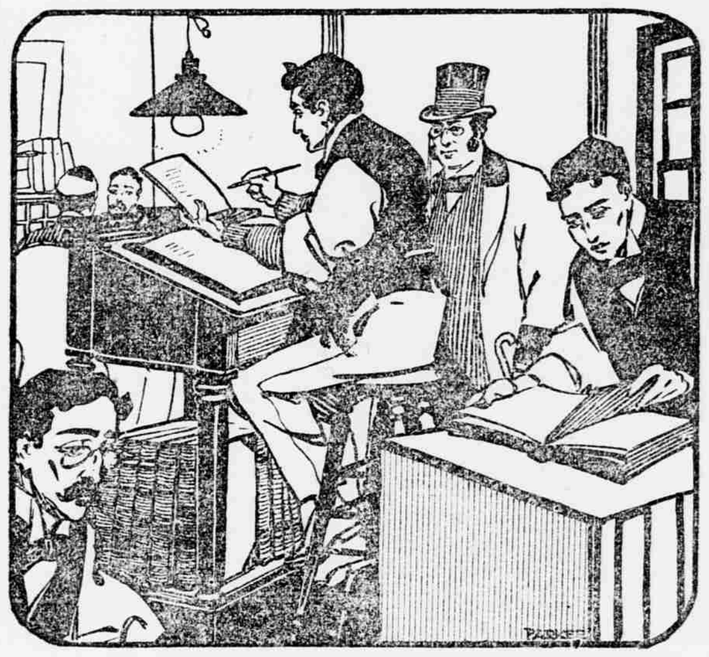


II.—"POSITION WANTED."

Got some good experience, but rather little pay
As an office boy, so Jimmie looked around one day
After something better, and he hit upon a plan—
Advertised: "POSITION WANTED—By a bright young man."

The Rise of Jimmie Johnson.



III.—OFFICE BOY TO BOOKKEEPER.

WANT AD. brought so many offers Jimmie took his pick—
Pay so large it would have made his first employer sick.
He was Jim the Penman now—bookkeeper; he was rising
In the world of business—and 'twas due to ADVERTISING.

A "Ringers' Jug."

A beer jug in a belfry is happily somewhat of a rarity in these days. At the beginning of the last century however, people were not so particular. The ringers' jug at Beccles, in Suffolk, holds six gallons, a sufficiency to sustain the ten weary ringers, though the weight of the bells did exceed six tons. The vessel is made of red earthenware and has three handles, one of which is concealed by the neck. It bears the following inscription in quaint spelling:

"When I am fill'd with liquor strong
Each Man drink once and then ding dong.
Drink not too much to Cloud your Knobs
Least you forget to make the Bobbs.

A gift of John Pattman Beccles." On the reverse side is the maker's name "Samuel Stringfellow, Potter."—London Strand.

The Adder.

A full grown adder may measure two feet in length and about six inches around the thickest part of its body. Its movements are sluggish, and of course the idea that it is capable of transferring its head from one extremity to the other every six months is due simply to superstition. The fact is that the tail of this snake does not terminate in a point, as with ophidians generally, but is stumpy and resembles the head so much that it is difficult for an observer situated at a distance of a few yards to distinguish the one from the other; hence the story of its being two headed, the fallacy of which no intelligent observer could fail to detect.—Pioneer.

Men-of-war on Paper.

Each man-of-war is built upon paper before a single plate of steel is forged. Not only are the length and breadth of a ship decided upon, but the naval constructor can tell to an ounce how much water she will displace when her armor and guns are mounted upon her, how many times her propellers will revolve in a minute with a given pressure of steam and how many tons of coal an hour must be consumed to attain a certain rate of speed.—London Graphic.

His Gloomy Life.

"What," asked the sweet girl, "was the happiest moment of your life?"

"The happiest moment of my life," answered the old bachelor, "was when the jeweler took back an engagement ring and gave me sleeve links in exchange."

The Larger Class.

"Of course," said the seeker after knowledge, "we seldom hear 'thee' and 'thou' nowadays. They're used mostly by poets, aren't they?"

"No," replied the editor; "they're used mostly by people who think they're poets."—Catholic Standard and Times.

John Ferstl handles all kinds of fruit and shade trees, small fruit, shrubs and flowers. 5

Jake Stetter buys cattle and hogs and anything the farmers have to sell. Office is where Lee's barber shop was, east side of Main street. If you want to buy or sell anything see me. No deal is too large and none are too small. J. W. STETTER.
50 Valentine, Neb.

Monthly Meteorological Summary.

Valentine. February, 1907.

Date	Temperature Max	Min	Mean	Precipitation	Character of Day
1....	46	-6	20	.0	Cldy
2...	-4	-12	8	.03	PC
3....	-5	-13	-9	.0	Cldy
4....	-5	-14	-0	.0	PC
5....	22	-7	8	.0	PC
6....	41	1	21	.0	PC
7....	45	1	23	.0	PC
8....	51	26	38	.0	PC
9....	46	30	38	.0	Clear
10....	50	26	38	.0	Clear
11....	56	27	32	.0	Clear
12....	54	27	40	.0	Clear
13....	43	26	44	.0	Clear
14....	56	23	30	.0	Clear
15....	55	29	42	.0	Clear
16....	55	31	43	.0	Clear
17....	67	31	49	.0	PC
18....	45	29	47	.0	PC
19....	47	30	38	.10	Cldy
20....	39	10	34	.06	Cldy
21....	22	8	25	.0	Cldy
22....	39	21	10	.0	PC
23....	57	28	32	.0	PC
24....	55	26	40	.0	Clear
25....	65	34	40	.0	Clear
26....	35	6	50	T	Cldy
27....	15	6	20	.06	Cldy
28....	15	0	8	.01	Cldy
29....					
30....					
31....					
Mean	39.5	15.1	27.2		

JOHN J. MCLEAN, Observer.

Courtesy.

The parvenu stood it till he could stand it no longer.

"James," he cried out piteously, "tell me the worst! You find my table manners execrable!"

But his new butler, bowing first with stately condescension, only replied:

"As a matter of professional courtesy I'll cannot hentertain, much less hexpress, hany hopinion which might seem in hanyway to reflect on my predecessor 'ere."

And he bowed again and was silent.—Puck.

Prudence.

Dentist—I've filled all your teeth that have cavities, sir. Mahoney—Well, thin, fill th' rest av thim too. Thin whin th' cavities come they'll be already filled, b'ghost.—Puck.

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Weather Data

The following data, covering a period of 18 years, have been complied from the Weather Bureau records at Valentine, Nebr. They are issued to show the conditions that have prevailed, during the month in question, for the above period of years, but must not be construed as a forecast of the weather conditions for the coming month.

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TEMPERATURE.

Mean or normal 31°

The warmest month was that of 1889 with an average of 44°

The coldest month was that of 1899 with an average of 22°

The highest was 84° on 28, 1895

The lowest was -26° on 11, 1891

PRECIPITATION

Average for month 1 36 inches.

Average number of days with .01 of an inch or more 10

The greatest monthly precipitation was 2 58 inches in 1891.

The least monthly precipitation was 0 28 inches in 1903.

The greatest amount of precipitation recorded in any 24 consecutive hours was 1 28 inches on 1-2, 1906.

The greatest amount of snowfall recorded in any 24 consecutive hours (record extending to winter of 1884-85 only) was 1.30 inches on 1-2, 1906

CLOUDS AMD WEATHER

Average number of clear days, 10 partly cloudy, 10; cloudy, 11.

WIND.

The prevailing winds have been from the NW.

The average hourly velocity of the wind is 12 miles.

The highest velocity of the wind was 52miles from the NW on 10, 1893

J. J. MCLEAN,
Observer Weather Bureau.

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