

The Norfolk News

Will Cash has been appointed postmaster at Niobrara and will cash money orders drawn on his office.

Now that the plow manufacturers have combined the farmer will take revenge by dragging their product in the dirt.

That grandmothers may sometimes be more youthful than maidens is proven in the case of a South Carolina woman who was a grandmother when but 20 years of age.

South Africa is an unhealthy country, especially for the English. There have been 14,728 deaths in that country up to April 1 this year. Of this number 8,793 died of disease.

Charles M. Green of Hastings is rightly named. He went to Omaha the other day to see the sights with \$150 in his inside pocket. He saw the sights but will not see his "wad" again.

It is exceedingly popular lately for a person to disappear and leave no trace of their whereabouts. There are still a few, however, who favor the coroner and undertaker by leaving remains after their disappearance.

The people of Wymore have raised \$1,000 and will celebrate the glorious Fourth of July in rip-roaring style. Perhaps they have not heard that "the spirit of empire is upon us and celebrations of the Fourth of July are passing away."

Some of the papers are of the opinion that Mr. Bryan still desires a third nomination for the presidency. It is evidently a republican scheme to keep him in the race. The republicans know his strength—or weakness—and a new man might not be so easily measured.

A Russian paper has been suppressed because it said that the appointing of a man of mediocre ability to a cabinet position did not make a statesman out of him. About the only safe thing for a Russian political editor to do is to roast the Hottentots.—Omaha Bee.

The Lynch Journal, published by A. C. McFarland, is the kind that is envied by many country publishers. This week Editor McFarland prints most of his news on a supplement, the reading matter being crowded out of the regular issue by legal notices at so much per.

The Lincoln Courier deprecates the ruthless slaughter of birds in shooting tournaments. The Courier being a woman's paper, says nothing about killing them to stuff for hats at "steep" dollars per hat. But, of course, one reform at a time is enough.—Fremont Tribune.

The esteemed Hamilton County Register brings out William Vincent Allen for the populist nomination for justice of the supreme court. Mr. Allen has been out of office about a month already and it really seems as though it was time something was done for him.—York Times.

Governor Savage has been in office a couple of days and the fusion organs have not yet begun to berate him, which must be conclusive evidence that he is pretty near perfect. A republican official with whom the democrats can find no fault within an hour or two after he assumes his duties is an exception.

That time honored amusement enterprise, the circus, is already showing to the people of Nebraska. Dates in many towns have been made by Campbell Bros., the Nebraska circus men, and they have been entertaining good crowds. This should be a good circus year, as the people have money to spare for such amusements.

A mortgage of \$100,000,000 was recently filed in the office of the Douglas county register of deeds at Omaha. The instrument required \$50,000 in revenue stamps. It was given by the Union Pacific railway company to the Mercantile Trust company of New York, to secure the payment of an issue of \$100,000,000 of 4 per cent gold bonds.

New opinions regarding fusion are continually coming to light, many of them being expressions from erstwhile fusion papers. The Rushville Standard, populist says: "The democrats think they would be better off today had they never fused with the populists, and the populists know they would be better off had they never fused with the democrats."

Vice President Roosevelt and his works are admired by the thinking men of all parties. Speaking of the books of which Mr. Roosevelt is the author, J. Sterling Morton says in his Conservative: "From a literary viewpoint, these books are typical of Roosevelt. They are the very embodiment of a straightforward, honest and courageous conviction."

Mr. Bryan says that a man can become his friend by accepting democratic principles, which means that those principles must be the ones to be approved by Mr. Bryan. Grover Cleveland and J. Sterling Morton will probably not be the first to acknowledge that Bryan is, has been and always will be right, for

the purpose of attaining the high privilege of being enrolled as of that gentleman's friends.

The World-Herald says: "Czar Nicholas would give half his wealth if he could go scooting around his kingdom like Wm. McKinley is doing just now." The World-Herald is one of the papers that feared Mr. McKinley's re-election would mean an empire in comparison with which the czar's kingdom would be a paradise, but is now apparently satisfied that its dire predictions were rather far fetched.

A Brooklyn banker offered to pay interest at the rate of 50 per cent per year and now the creditors are getting seven and one-half cents on the dollar for their claims. They lost over 92 per cent and are now probably satisfied that the person who offers a big thing for nothing cannot deliver the goods. There are still an abundance of people who have this valuable lesson to learn, however, and will not be satisfied with a legitimate income from their money or labor.

It don't require much to become famous these days. Prof. Algier R. Cooke, the Chicago instructor, who recently asserted that he "never swore, never tasted intoxicants, never smoked or chewed tobacco and never hugged or kissed a woman," is now known throughout the world; is discussed in leading circles and has been honored by having his picture published and being cartooned by the leading papers. He will probably write a book in the near future.

The report that the financiers of Great Britain fear those of the United States will not be news to those who have been watching the trend of events in financial matters and their fear will not prevent the United States from taking first place in the financial world. The time is probably now past when English financiers can force Americans to "crawl" and the time is as surely approaching when the former will be the ones to humbly beg financial favors from the latter.

Ed A. Fry of the Niobrara Pioneer has taken in an assistant in the person of W. N. Paxton of Omaha, who will attend to the general details of publishing the paper hereafter. Mr. Fry established the Pioneer in 1874 and has been in the harness almost continuously since, giving the people of that town a good, loyal, readable newspaper. He considers that continuous in-door service in that capacity is no longer necessary and is going to lay some of the burdens on younger shoulders.

Last month another chunk was cut off the national debt in the sum of \$4,397,653 and it has again been reduced below the billion mark, being in exact figures \$995,350,380. Paying debts and accumulating a surplus are habits of long standing with the republican party and under the "imperial" policy of William McKinley this disposition shows no signs of abating. It is too bad—for the democrats—that it is so, but the people at present show no inclination to charge it to a Cleveland.

Fame of the famous sort is sometimes so fleeting and uncertain. Just as Prof. Algier R. Cooke of Chicago had established himself as immaculate in regard to wine, women and tobacco, comes a Paris paper with the statement that he was a confirmed flirt in his college days and presents the pictures of three lovely damsels who had been kissed by the "prof." Why should a man soar to the highest pinnacle of fame only to be ruthlessly pulled back by a villainous enemy or an enterprising newspaper?

Some of the Omaha newspapers have been urging a Sunday closing movement and now that Mayor Moore's are closing business houses of all kinds on the Sabbath they are finding an abundance of fault. It would seem that the papers either chose to discredit the mayor's administration or desired certain business enterprises closed while others should be permitted to remain open and had not anticipated a wholesale closing as a result of their reform. It is probable that hereafter when they urge a closing movement they will consider all phases of it.

Another step in the progress of the United States toward its destined position at the head of creditor nations is indicated by the taking for this money market of the whole issue of a loan negotiated by the city of Frankfurt. The amount is not so very great, \$3,750,000, but it is the first time that the whole issue of a long term bond of a German municipality has been placed in New York. Money is cheaper here than there, and a portion of the large current indebtedness of Europe to the United States for manufactured goods, as well as food and raw materials, will be settled for by this bond issue in place of money.—Chicago Public Policy.

The efforts of the populist state committee to pay up its campaign debts must be discouraging if members of that party generally responded as liberally as they did in Thurston county. There the faithful were asked to contribute \$33, and 75 cents was the amount sent. Members of that party are evidently averse to contributing even a

small share of their republican prosperity to a lost cause and their actions might easily be taken to mean that they are satisfied with present conditions and see no necessity in supporting an organization the sole aim of which is to defeat the dominant party and in so doing perhaps bring about a reversal of prevailing industrial conditions. They are undoubtedly about ready to join with the majority in letting "well enough alone."

The Illinois Central railroad company will soon inaugurate a perfect system of pensions for its employees. The great industrial organizations realize as never before the value of competent, trustworthy employes and many of them are taking measures that will place a premium upon steady and industrious servants. With the bettering of conditions for the capitalist and the corporations, the conditions of labor have been constantly improving. The time seems to be at hand when both capital and labor have learned the futility of warring and realize that they have interests in common, and industrial conditions are therefore more nearly approaching ideal methods. It is to be hoped that the days of strikes and other industrial difficulties is numbered. The corporation that takes an interest in providing for its employes, young and old, will almost certainly be taken care of by them in return.

There are persons who make a specialty in almost every line of work of catering to the pleasures of the public and it would seem that some shrewd schemer before this would have found a field in promoting celebrations of various kinds. Every community does not possess a person who can properly take hold of and carry to a successful termination a fair, Fourth of July celebration or other entertainment in that line and especially cannot make new and original suggestions for the amusement of the people, and may not have the time to devote to it if he can. There are many very successful promoters of entertainments in halls and churches and why an effort for the betterment of entertainments more generally public should not have been made is not known. The old style fairs and celebrations are becoming more or less tiresome and someone to suggest and promote new methods should be in constant demand.

Editor Enos of the Stanton Picket gives some sound advice to young people in the following: "After all a year or two at the close of a man's life, after he has grown old, perhaps become decrepit, is not of such great importance from a business sense. It's the early years that count. Years when a man is young, vigorous and at his best. Then one year is of more actual value than at any other period. And yet comparatively few persons appreciate this fact. This is the period in so many lives when time is frittered away because its value is not recognized. Occasionally we meet with a man who does, and in almost every such instance we find him in after years well-to-do, a success in what ever vocation he may have engaged. The young man who does not think it necessary to sow a crop of 'wild oats' before he begins to prepare the grounds for a crop of wheat is the man who reaps a good harvest in season. The working years of the average man's life are too few to be wasted. It doesn't pay. The same rule will apply to women."

Among the up-to-date business men it is considered decidedly bad form to talk in a derogatory manner of a competitor. This rule is so universal and so well established that business men in this day and age seldom break over it. There is, however, an all too prevalent habit among some young business men of dropping now and then little remarks of a derogatory character which, for the want of a better term, has been styled in the popular vernacular, "knocking." A "kicker is a man who finds fault. He is a man who objects to everything that is done. Perhaps he is hypercritical or extremely particular but the "knocker" is a man of jealous disposition who cannot bear to see anyone else getting along fairly well without trying to undermine him or block his progress in some way or other. There are times when "kicking" is excusable, but "knocking" never. These remarks were suggested by a business card of an Omaha firm, which bears on its back in large type, "Don't be a Knocker." Then follows some very good advice regarding business conduct, some of it, in fact, so good that it may not be out of place to give the following extract: "Don't knock. Help yourself along by becoming popular, and push your friends with you. It's dead easy. Be a good fellow and you will soon have a procession of followers. No man ever helped himself by 'knocking' other people down in character and business. No man ever got rich by trying to make others believe that he was the only man in town that knew anything. You can't climb the ladder of success by treading on others' corns. Keep off the corns and don't 'knock.' You are not the only. There are others, and they have brains and know something as well as you. There is no end of fun minding your own business. It makes other people like you. Nobody gets stuck on the 'knocker.'"—Omaha Trade Exhibit.

"Commerce is a great diplomat, fair trading makes fast friends."—Wm. McKinley.

Since the Filipinos have about quit their shooting, the Nebraska crops are acquiring something of a record in that direction.

President McKinley is winning the plaudits of the people wherever he goes and their opinion is not biased by the thought that he will again be a candidate.

The Pennsylvania steel works has posted a notice of 10 per cent advance in wages, beginning June 1, which will affect about 7,000 employes. Fusion exchanges will please copy.

Henry Watterson on the democratic situation: We are mighty tired of shooting blank cartridges out of flintlock muskets against an enemy armed with Mauser rifles and occupying all the strong positions upon the field of battle.

Croesus, popularly supposed to have been fabulously wealthy, wasn't much according to recent investigation, his wealth being computed at \$7,000,000. He would scarcely make a mouthful for either of our two Johns—Rockefeller or Morgan.

You may be very sure that the catalogue house, department store and peddler are after your trade for the profit there is in it and not to benefit you, your town or your home merchant. To accomplish the best results your money should be spent at home whenever possible. Money spent towards building up Omaha, for instance, helps Norfolk not at all.

The free silverites at one time used the argument that the adoption of the gold standard would make this country the slave of England. Along with other arguments of the "steep-toners" this has been completely refuted by existing facts. Never was the United States in better shape financially and never has England been so near to becoming the slave of America.

California has been sending to Nebraska quite regularly for her chickens recently and now comes the news that an egg train of 12 refrigerator cars was recently shipped to that state from Kansas. California and other coast states will in a short time afford a valuable market for the products of the prairie states and the east will not always be able to dictate the prices to be paid for the produce of this region.

There is big excitement among railway speculators because of the profits being made in that business. These profits were only possible, however, because the farmers and other people were prosperous and it should and undoubtedly will be the aim of people investing in railway stocks to keep conditions as they are at present. Capitalists need prosperity in order to profit and their efforts to maintain it will accrue to the benefit of people of all classes.

When a newspaper publisher does happen to become rich—of which he stands about one chance in a million—he is at once marked as a victim whom it is everyone's privilege if not duty to pluck. The estate of the late Senator Magee, who was principal owner of the Pittsburg Times, has been assessed with a bill from his family doctor of \$190,000 for professional services during the last illness of the senator. It is believed the fee is the largest ever charged.

The Fremont Herald is likely to be read out of the democratic party—the party of and for patriots—if it doesn't take a short curb on its ideas. Speaking of the Cuban and Venezuelan troubles it says: "In a good proportion of cases these 'patriots struggling for freedom' are simply soreheads struggling for office." Such an opinion expressed a year ago regarding Aguinaldo, for instance, would have been considered rank treason to the party by any good democrat.

Those democratic and "independent" papers which have been so foolish as to oppose fusion without consulting the powers that be in control of the machine will now gracefully "crawlfish." Dictator Bryan has spoken on fusion and says that he "shall continue to advocate it so long as the allies agree upon the paramount issues," which means that any democrat or populist who dares oppose fusion hereafter will promptly be read out of the party. The "paramount" issues have not yet been specified but will be in due time.

Editors who receive complimentary tickets to county fairs and other places are often looked upon as deadheads, but the managers of the Woodford (Illa.) county fair, who have some experience in such matters, had the following printed on complimentary tickets used: "This ticket has probably been paid for ten times by the paper to which it is issued. It will be honored in the hands of man, woman or child, white, black, red or yellow, who favors the association by presenting it. It is good for entrance and grand stand, and bearer if driving, will be entitled to pass team free. The association recognizes the fact that its splendid success is due to the notices so freely given by the press, and, while we cannot render an equivalent

in cash, we return our grateful thanks."—American Press.

Stiox City employers are experiencing some difficulty in these prosperity times to get the laborers they need. The following interview in the Tribune being a sample of others on the same subject: "Paying \$1.75 a day and cannot get enough unskilled laborers at that," was the prosperity commentary of B. S. Church, local manager for the Stiox City Provision company. Saturday the company paid out \$2,500 in salaries and day wages to the employes at the packing house, the wages running from \$1.75 to \$4 a day for various kinds of laborers. "We have all kinds of trouble getting laborers," Mr. Church went on. "It is easy enough to get the hogs but the trouble comes in getting the hogs killed and cut up. Cannot get men enough even at \$1.75 to do the rough work."

A leading merchant of Tilden don't propose to allow his customers to be flimflammed by the "traveling grocery man" who has been telling how the home merchant has been swindling his customers. The merchant advertises: "Fetch us the duplicate order or the invoice of any bill of goods that you have purchased of the traveling grocery man and we will fill the order with better goods at the same price and give you a five per cent discount on the purchase besides and guarantee to make everything satisfactory to you, as we are here 365 days in the year to sell you what you need." It is not unlikely that this merchant has attained honor and prestige in his own country by his brave words. It is also probable that he is doing no more than could be done by any other home merchant in competition with the traveling grocery man or the city department store and it is his method of advertising that will win him the custom that by far means or foul has been won by the fellow having no interest in the town or country.

A reporter interviewed Mrs. McKinley at New Orleans, and it is probably the first interview of the leading lady of the land given the public. It is an interview worth reading and remembering. It is not given as from Mrs. President McKinley, but from Mrs. McKinley, the wife. If all other husbands of the country could derive such words from their wives the country would undoubtedly approach perfection: "Do you know Maj. McKinley?" Mrs. McKinley asked. "Ah, no one can know him, because to appreciate him one must know him as I do, and I am not speaking now of Maj. McKinley as the president. I am speaking of him as my husband. If any one could know what it is to have a wife sick, complaining, always an invalid for twenty-five years, seldom a day well, and yet never a word of unkindness has ever passed his lips; he is just the same tender, thoughtful, kind gentleman I knew when first he came and sought my hand. I know him because I am his wife, and it is my proudest pleasure to say this, not because he is the president, but because he is my husband. I wish that I could have seen him yesterday. I love to see him among the people whom he seeks to serve so faithfully. But I read his speeches this morning; I read all his speeches. I only wish that I could help him as I should. But he is so kind, so good, so patient. He gives me all the time he can. He never forgets me, no matter how busy he is. But I will be glad when he is out of public life. I did not want him to run a second time. I thought he had done enough for the country, and now I know that he has done enough, and when this term expires he will come home and we will settle down quietly and he will belong to me."

Cromwell Was a Ruthless Victor. We must remember always that under Cromwell there was no burning at the stake, no dreadful torture in cold blood, and therefore at his worst he rises in degree above Philip and Alva. But in kind his deeds in Ireland were the same as theirs in the Netherlands, and, though the Puritan soldiers were guiltless of the hideous licentiousness shown by the Spaniards or by the armies of Tilly and Wallenstein, yet the merciless butchery of the entire garrisons and of all the priests—accompanied by the slaughter of other noncombatants in at least some cases—leave Drogheda and Wexford as black and terrible stains on Cromwell's character.

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Passenger Train No. 3 Crashes Into Freight Engine With Fatal Results—Coaches Hurlled Down Twenty Foot Embankment—List of the Injured.

Ottumwa, Ia., May 7.—Burlington passenger train No. 3 was wrecked yesterday while passing Thayer, a small town eight miles east of Creston, causing the death of Engineer S. D. Brown and injuring over a score of passengers. The locomotive hauling the passenger struck an engine attached to a freight train that was backing on to a sidetrack. The passenger engine and all but two cars of the passenger train left the rails and rolled down a 20-foot embankment.

Thayer is situated in the bed of a deep ravine and on either side of the station the track curved sharply. Neither engineer could see the other's train until they were within 200 feet of each other. The passenger was running at a high speed. The engineer of the freight train heard the passenger train coming and made the utmost endeavor to back his heavy train on to the sidetrack. He succeeded in getting all but the engine on the siding when the crash came.

As the passenger train rounded the curve Engineer Brown saw his peril, but he stuck to his post, reversed his engine, threw on the airbrake to the emergency notch, applied the sand and awaited the crash. At the last moment the men on the freight engine jumped and escaped serious injury. The impact was terrific. The freight engine was thrown across the tracks and the passenger engine hurled down the 20-foot embankment, followed by the baggage car, the express car, the day coach and three chair cars. The agent at Thayer and several hangers-on around the depot witnessed the wreck and rendered such aid to the wounded as was possible before the arrival of a relief train dispatched from this city with surgeons.

The dead: S. D. Brown, engineer, Burlington, buried beneath his engine.

The injured: M. Canney, Burlington, fireman, left arm broken twice, head badly cut, may result fatally; P. E. Bates, Chicago, porter, chest badly mashed and back injured, serious; M. O'Connor, conductor, Burlington, back badly injured, J. F. Burke, Jacksonville, Fla., slightly injured; Mrs. E. J. Burke, slightly injured; N. Anderson, Albia; Mrs. Harper, Ottumwa; J. T. Hume, Des Moines, badly bruised; W. M. Beecher, Charleston, back injured; C. M. Buchanan, Fairfield; F. F. Fogg, Chicago; Effie Ellis, Murray; J. T. McCune, Ottumwa; W. A. Hart, Emerson; Hugh Doran, Ottumwa; William Romers, Chicago; W. N. Pifey, New Salem, Ill.; W. R. Rund, Chicago; E. G. Carter, Cedar Rapids; L. M. Gallup, Chicago; Will Harper, Ottumwa; O. E. Garrett, Murray; Colonel Olmstead, Des Moines, severely injured; M. Shirley and wife, Omaha; Clarence Wolne, Grinnell; J. L. Farthing, Creston, right hand badly bruised; A. C. Sweeney, Keokuk; Dr. Averill, Afton; Clarence Whitlock, Osceola; S. E. Reem, Osceola.

Tornado in Texas.

Houston, Tex., May 7.—A high wind, accompanied by heavy rain and hail, did considerable damage to houses and crops in Milan, Falls and Limestone counties last night. Baileyville, a town of 175 people, in Milan county, is reported as having been wrecked, and a number of people injured. At McClanahan, Falls county, the Baptist church was wrecked and J. C. Owens, colored, was killed and a dozen white persons injured, none fatally. The cotton and grain crops over a wide section were laid waste.

Salisbury Re-Elected City Attorney.

Grand Rapids, May 7.—The new city council last night re-elected L. K. Salisbury city attorney. It was a great surprise in view of Salisbury's arrest on an indictment secured in Chicago last February by Guy Barton, the Omaha millionaire, charging Salisbury with the larceny of \$50,000 from a vault of the Illinois Trust and Savings bank of Chicago. It is authoritatively stated that a call for a grand jury will issue within the next few days to probe into the alleged waterworks scandal.

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