

SATURDAY SIFTINGS.

Ed. Turner of Wisner was a city visitor over night.

Judge W. M. Robertson was in Omaha yesterday.

William Webster was in Norfolk yesterday from Monroe.

Mrs. J. I. Ermisse was a city visitor over night from Fullerton.

Misses Grace and Maggie Wilson of Fullerton are visitors in Norfolk.

Mrs. Handley went to Pierce today to visit her sister Mrs. W. E. Powers.

Table tennis has been added to the list of games at the Elks club rooms.

Mrs. M. D. Tyler returned last night from a visit with relatives in Illinois.

Joseph Birdhead and W. G. Meyers of Hartington were in Norfolk over night.

A. L. Pound of Lincoln is in the city, a guest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John VanHorn.

Misses Schrine, Martindale, Wallace and Warner, teachers in the Pierce schools were city visitors today.

County Engineer W. H. Lowe returned last night from Meadow Grove, where he has been surveying during the past week.

Wm. Westervelt has been sick for several weeks at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Westervelt, on Madison avenue.

Mrs. Belle Pheasant has returned from Lincoln where she has been the guest of her daughter during the greater part of the winter.

Mrs. H. McBride, Miss Annie McBride and Miss Helen Reynolds went to Madison this morning to spend Sunday at the home of Willis McBride.

Fred Ahlman of Pierce visited his brother, Wm. Ahlman, yesterday and Herman Ahlman and family of the same place visited at his home today.

Conductor E. D. Murphy of the Creighton branch freight held the ticket, No. 129, that drew the shot gun raffled off by W. H. Law last evening.

The Plano Norfolk headquarters has received a carload of mowers from the factory in Illinois and the machinery is being unloaded and set up ready for the demand of the season.

Neligh has been having a smallpox scare for about a week, but it has quieted down, the people consoling themselves with the belief that it is nothing but rose rash (rosola pubulosa) to which opinion they have been led by the doctors.

Miss Bessie Smith will represent Schuyler at the High school declamatory contest to be held here the first week in April, having won out with Wendell Phillips' "Toussaint L'Ouverture," in a contest with ten of her fellow pupils.

A class of 39 pupils will be examined at Christ Lutheran church tomorrow morning preparatory to the confirmation services which will be held in a week. The class of pupils at St. Paul church will likewise be examined tomorrow morning.

Carl Luikart's dog, which was believed to be dead as a result of a dose of poison, has shown the remarkable recovering powers usually attributed to a nine-lived cat. The prospects are that he will get well and continue to be the faithful friend and companion of his young master.

Mrs. S. P. Erskine gave a reception at her home at 104 North Eleventh street yesterday afternoon, in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. C. Erskine of St. Paul. Although it was a very disagreeable day nearly all those invited braved the weather and were well repaid by the pleasure derived.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Durland entertained a party of friends at dinner last evening at their pleasant home, 611 South Ninth street. The good cheer inside more than offset the bleak condition of the weather, and those who were present considered themselves fortunate in being honored with an invitation.

Miss Lida Turner will represent the Columbus High school in the declamatory contest to be held in this city during the Northeast Nebraska Teachers association meeting. She won in the local contest held there Wednesday night, her subject being, "The Debating Society." There were ten contestants for the honors.

Johnnie Williams of Meadow Grove emptied the powder from a cartridge into a tin can and dropped a lighted match in, leaning over to see what would happen. Something did happen but the lad didn't see it very well. His eye-lashes and eye-brows were singed off and he received other painful burns about his face but his eye sight was not impaired.

It did not prove so disagreeable last night as to debar many of the teachers of the city from throwing aside the cares of the school room to attend the entertainment at the home of Mrs. H. McBride, given by the teachers of the Grant building to the other teachers and ex-teachers of the city. The party was in honor of Miss Watson, who recently resigned her position in the schools and who will soon go to Denver to make her home.

W. H. Johnson has received one of the series of a chain of letters sent out by James C. Rogers of Evanston, Ill., who has undertaken this method to locate his son, Frank Ely Rogers, who disappeared from home with his aunt, Miss

Florence A. Ely, July 13, 1901, since which time nothing has been heard from either of them. The letter states that only love and a glad welcome await both from a heart-broken father and two mothers. Each recipient of the letter is requested to forward copies to three friends and have the newspapers publish it. The pictures of the woman and boy are given, with a description of the characteristics and peculiarities of each.

The adjourned special meeting of the Commercial club at the city hall last evening was well attended, considering the weather and other attractions. Messrs. Porter and Boyce explained the canning factory proposition in detail and answered many questions that were asked of them. Those at the meeting viewed favorably the prospective good to the city from inaugurating such an enterprise, and a committee consisting of Messrs. Bullock, Gow and Pese-walk, was appointed to investigate the plan more fully and report at the next meeting of the club. The committee will write to other towns where canning factories are in operation and see what results are being obtained. Messrs. Porter and Boyce went to Omaha this morning but will return in time to attend the meeting of the club on Friday evening next.

The people of this section have experienced about all the vagaries of March weather during the past 24 hours. Yesterday afternoon when the wind was driving up from the south at the rate of a thousand miles an hour or such a matter, accompanied by dust and more or less warmth, a special weather telegram was received here forecasting a cold wave and it has materialized beyond question. The wind continued from the south until about 10:30 last night when quite a vigorous storm of thunder and lightning developed, with a light shower of rain. This shower, coming through the dust laden air, was practically turned to mud and places that were white and clean on which it fell were spattered with dirty spots. About the same time the wind shifted to the northwest and in a few hours had reduced the temperature to 10 above zero. This morning the ground was covered with a light snow and the north wind maintained a vigor during the day almost equal to that which came from the south yesterday, with promise of colder and more snow reported from weather headquarters.

MONDAY MENTION.

Herbert Daniels was here from Omaha and spent Sunday with Norfolk friends.

Martin Oesterling returned Saturday from a three-days' visit at Hartington.

Ira Austin departed last night for Chadron, where he has secured a position in a laundry.

Mrs. F. W. Juneman went to Madison yesterday to visit during the day with her husband.

Burr Taft departed on the 1 o'clock M. & O. train for a trip to the east on a visit to his aged mother, Mrs. I. B. Taft, at Brattleboro, Vermont.

This is St. Patrick's day, and ribbons, badges and other articles of emerald hue are quite generally worn. This is about the only observance the day receives in Norfolk.

Desirable houses for rent are decidedly scarce in Norfolk this spring and the renter who desires or is compelled to move is compelled to seek long and earnestly for a residence.

W. W. Roberts has purchased of Mrs. Anna George the residence property, consisting of a house and three lots, at the corner of Tenth street and Philip avenue. He took possession and moved into his newly acquired property Saturday.

W. Crosby, who has been serving as operator for a week at the union depot, has been succeeded by W. T. Gibson of Council Bluffs. It is understood that B. Barshinger takes the latter's position at Council Bluffs, being a virtual exchange of places.

A Tilden farmer with a load of grain to deliver at the elevator became impatient because it was not dumped at once and decided to manipulate the dump machinery himself with the result that his team was dumped into the pit and badly bruised. Next time he will wait for the elevator man to do the dump act.

There is scarcely a property owner in Norfolk but who is making or planning to make some improvements this season and when the work thoroughly begins it is quite certain that the extent of it will be surprising to the people in general. Thousands of dollars will be expended in Norfolk this year on improvements to already valuable property.

Robert Craft of Missouri Valley, Iowa, is the gentleman who has purchased Mr. Wilkinson's interest in the general merchandise business of Roland & Wilkinson at South Norfolk. Mr. Craft formerly lived here and is well and favorably known. His friends anticipate that his becoming identified with the firm will add much to its popularity.

The temperature last night dropped to a point two degrees below zero, according to Dr. Salter's government thermometer, which is a low record for this time in March but not an unheard of extreme. Last year a temperature of 3 below was recorded at Imperial on the 31st, and on the same day it was 5 below at Madrid and 2 below at Nesbit. It is

to be hoped that this year, however, will conclude to let this exhibit of low temperature answer for the month.

The Union Pacific company has planned a new arrangement for the accommodation of its patrons. On Overland flyers Nos. 1 and 2 they propose to place a telephone which will be connected with the telephone systems at Omaha, Chicago, Denver and San Francisco, from which passengers can transact business during the time the trains stop in the cities. If the experiment is satisfactory the plan will probably be enlarged upon from time to time.

Jas. Coyle last week sold his stock of groceries and fixtures west of the Ahlman bicycle store to O. L. Beindorf of Omaha, who is now in possession. He has also sold his residence on South Twelfth street to Lena Keipke and will give possession the first of April. Mr. and Mrs. Keipke come from Wayne county where they own a half-section of land which they have rented. They have a family of four daughters and desire them to have the educational advantages that this city affords.

At the regular meeting of Norfolk Council No. 120, United Commercial Travelers, held Saturday night, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Past counselor, S. F. Erskine; senior counselor, F. G. Coryell; junior counselor, G. Moeller; secretary-treasurer, Otto F. Tappert; Conductor, J. D. Sturgeon; page, A. Nyland; sentinel, J. T. Thompson; executive committee, two years' term, C. E. Green and A. J. Lagger; representatives to grand lodge, C. E. Green and S. F. Erskine.

The department had another run to the south part of the city Saturday afternoon in response to an alarm. One horse company and the hook and ladder company responded; the former, however, was of no service as the building was out of reach of city water. It was a residence east of First street, about eight blocks south of Main, and was occupied by a family named Gilbert. The fire was in a shed adjoining the house which was burned and the house badly scorched, but was saved by a bucket service after considerable hard work on the part of the firemen and citizens.

This storm that has been raging for the past few days was more serious further west, ten feet of snow being reported on the Eikhorn line at Sturgis, S. D., and the running time of trains was seriously interfered with. The east-bound train, due here yesterday noon did not arrive until last night at 11:30 and then came from Chadron, the regular train being snow-bound west of Chadron. A special force of men was sent out from Chadron to clear the track, and considerable work will be required before trains are again running on schedule time. The storm was much more severe west and north than here.

E. A. Crum, writing from Fairhaven, Washington, states that the average rainfall there for a term of years is less than 35 inches, while on the Columbia river it runs from 70 to 90 inches, and is therefore not as excessive as some people believe. They had four inches of snow a while ago, which laid a few days and was gone. The temperature is very even, no sudden changes and but little wind, which comes in from the ocean sometimes, but nothing bad. While good land is worth from \$50 to \$100 an acre it is claimed that it produces more than the land east and it requires but a few acres to maintain a family. They have plenty of fruit, fish and fuel and consider it a fine place to live.

It was a jolly crowd of little spooks that attended the juvenile masquerade given by Prof. Chambers at Marquardt hall Saturday evening. The costumes worn by the little tots were handsome, varied and unique, and afforded a great amount of amusement not only to the youngsters who participated but to the large number of grown people who were spectators. The crowning feature of the evening was the cake walk, in which four couples contested, the winners being Graham Humphrey and Dorothy Rudat. A number of people are urging that the masquerade be repeated, and it is possible that Prof. Chambers may conclude to do so. This evening a masquerade will be given for grown people.

F. L. Hamilton and Miss Nettie Lowe stole a march on their friends Saturday, boarded the 11 o'clock train for Madison and before their return County Judge Wm. Bates had said the words that made them husband and wife. Both these young people are members of The News force, and the result of their association shows that romance may exist in very common places. Miss Lowe has lived in Norfolk the greater portion of her life and has been a trusted employe of this office about three years. Mr. Hamilton is a first class printer, well known in the city, and he has won a nonpareil prize. They have the hearty good wishes of the entire office force that their journey through life may be full of "phat takes" with a total absence of "pi." For the present they are making their home with Mr. and Mrs. A. Barrett at the corner of First and Main streets.

TUESDAY TOPICS.

Martin Oesterling expects to leave Friday for Idaho.

Miss Margaret Barnes spent Sunday with friends in Madison.

John Collavin of Missouri Valley is visiting with Norfolk friends.

J. D. Sturgeon went to Verdigre today on organ and piano business.

Miss Josie Ferguson went to Pierce Saturday to remain a few days.

The Sessler bowling alley fixtures have been moved back from Pierce.

Chas. Gerecke left last night for Lynch, where he has accepted a position.

Robert Schram of Missouri Valley spent Sunday with his parents in Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Mayer will entertain the West Side Whist club Thursday evening.

The Fair store this morning put in service a handsome and substantial new delivery wagon.

R. H. Reynolds is to assist in the erection of several brick blocks at Pierce the coming season.

Mrs. B. B. Root has returned from Albert Lea, Minn., where she has been visiting her mother.

Wm. Warneke of the Scribner News is in the city visiting his mother and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Isaac Powers went to Lincoln yesterday to visit her son, Carroll, who is a student at the university.

County Superintendent C. W. Crum was over from Madison today on business connected with his school work.

The weather has again changed—that is, the wind is now blowing from the south again instead of from the north.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. D. Butterfield came down from Creighton yesterday and are guests of Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Salter.

Herman Miller of Pierce has received a car load of stone which will be used for the foundation of his new brick buildings.

Frank Carrick is moving from Madison avenue, near the electric light station, and will occupy a residence on First street.

Mrs. E. A. Bullock entertained a small company of lady friends this afternoon in honor of Mr. Bullock's mother, who is visiting them.

Charley Gibbs of Warnerville recently set a trap for a skunk that had been prowling around and caught instead a good sized opossum.

Mrs. Frank H. Beels expects to leave the first of the week for Colorado, to make an extended visit with her aunt, and for rest and recuperation.

The county commissioners are preparing to ditch the river on the McCarrigan place near the Yellow Banks to prevent the roadway from being washed out.

D. B. Lee has gone to Oklahoma to make his future home, having left with his household effects Sunday. His family is still here, but will follow in a short time.

A special train of horses, mules, scrapers and other grading material, has been taken north on the Creighton branch of the F. E. & M. V. for the work of grading the extension of that line.

The Madison Mail is authority for the statement that Conrad R. Kampman and Anna K. Lewejohn, both of this city, were granted a license to wed and were married by Judge Wm. Bates at the county seat last week.

The adult class of Prof. Chambers' dancing school indulged in a masquerade at Marquardt hall last evening. The party was well attended by a grotesque band of masquers, the music was

good and merriment ran high until a late hour.

The cash register of John Scheier's meat market at Madison was tapped last Thursday during the temporary absence of the butcher, and relieved of its contents, about \$9. This is the second similar affair in the same neighborhood during the past three weeks.

The price of town lots in Niobrara has evidently not yet swelled to a size to accord with the importance the people of that town give their promised railroad connection. A recent transfer of 35 lots involving a consideration of but \$2,700, being considerably less than \$100 a lot.

The force in the office of the county clerk at Madison has been unusually busy lately with filing instruments occasioned by the recent activity in the real estate market. The Mail says that during the morning of a recent day twenty such documents were presented for recording.

Ed. Morton, who formerly conducted a livery barn in Norfolk, but has been living on a farm seven miles east of the city for the past 12 years, left today with his household goods and other personal property for Pennington, Oregon, where he expects to make his home in the future. His family expects to follow to their new home the latter part of the week.

Battle Creek Republican: Father Walsh, of Norfolk, informed us on Monday that all arrangements had been completed for the building of a new Catholic church at this place. The plans of the structure, as contemplated, will give Battle Creek Catholics a temple of which they may well feel proud. Work on the new building will commence in the course of the next two or three months.

Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Salter entertained the Kindergarten club last evening in a manner appropriate to St. Patrick's day. In the house decorations, green largely predominated, as it did in the refreshments, even the drinking water having an emerald hue, while a few of the guests felt in somewhat the same condition when they attempted to play the potato games offered. It was a merry party and the hours of hilarity were not limited to the time when the electric lights winked out.

The large barn on the farm of Henry Van Esen, 12 miles southwest of West Point, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground during the thunder storm of Saturday night. The structure was 60 by 100 feet. A dispatch states that 32 horses were smothered in the barn and that 50 head of cattle and eight horses were rescued from the burning building by the owner and his four hired men. A large quantity of grain, harness and other property was destroyed in the blaze.

Egan & Donahue, railroad contractors have left Omaha for O'Neill with 12 carloads of grading stuff and from there will drive overland to the scene of their operations, which will begin at the western end of the proposed extension to the F. E. & M. V. Contractors have already commenced building bridges between Verdigre and Niobrara for the purpose of keeping 12 miles ahead of the grading. The road will cross Verdigre creek three times and west of Niobrara it will cross Ponca creek 20 times. These will require the largest bridges except the one that crosses at the mouth of the Niobrara river.

These equinoctial storms are likely to continue until after spring is ushered in, which will take place, according to the almanac, at about 8 o'clock next Friday morning. Why the sun should make such a disturbance in crossing the equator on its northern course is not understood by the ordinary people, but the weather prophets and almanacs say it does and the people will concede that this time of year is usually marked by strenuous weather and have come to expect it and would be disappointed if it did not take place. After the 21st there will undoubtedly be storms but those in which winter gives way to spring are usually markers for the year.

Niobrara Pioneer: A terrible accidental poisoning occurred last Monday evening at the home of Odin Eugen, a farmer living in Raymond township. A quantity of strychnine had been placed in a child's tea cup and put away in the cupboard, and by mistake was placed on the table with the other dishes. Milk was poured into this for one of the children, a four-year-old girl, who drank the contents and died in awful agony soon after. Mrs. Eugen had been sick during the day and her husband prepared the evening meal with the awful result. The mother had used the poison for killing mice about the house and placed it temporarily in the child's favorite cup.

Madison Mail: While riding along the road near the Mark Richardson farm last Friday night, Ted Davies came near being the victim of a hold-up. A wire had been stretched across the road and as young Davies' horse struck the obstacle two men jumped from the bushes by the roadside and attempted to grab the horse's reins. The animal became frightened, however, and whirled, bearing its rider to safety. Ted rode back to the Wells farm, secured a rifle and returned to the scene of the attempted hold-up. As he neared the place he heard the men crashing through the bushes and fired a shot at them, but they escaped and as far as known, without injury.

W. A. Hemleben, manager for the

local business of Armour & Co., is making extensive changes in the building occupied by them on East Main street. The southwest corner of the lower floor has been set apart for a chicken coop and an inclined chute has been built to the upper floor, up which the poultry will be driven and the dressing done upstairs. The northwest corner of the lower floor has been partitioned off for an office, and other improvements are under way that will require about two weeks' time to complete. Empty egg cases and coops are being received to be used when the season opens, and all appearances lend to the belief that the local branch will transact a large business.

A recent examination of their record by L. Sessions of the firm of Session & Bell, reveals the fact that there is a striking contrast between the scarlet fever epidemic of this winter and that of 1887. From January 1 to June 1 of that year there were 42 deaths from scarlet fever in Norfolk and vicinity, while during the epidemic just passing there has not been a single death attributable directly to that disease. On the former occasion there was not nearly the population that there is now and it is believed that there was by far a larger number of scarlet fever cases this winter than in 1887. The passing epidemic was very mild and is considered as one of the peculiarities of such epidemics, the next visit of which may develop all the malignancy by which that of 1887 was characterized. Statistics show that not only scarlet fever, but smallpox and diphtheria, act in this manner and that while one visit of the disease may be very light the next will show a terrible death rate. Those families that have had the scarlet fever this winter may be very thankful that it was not of a similar character as that which prevailed during the early part of 1887. There is now greater skill in handling the disease but the radical contrast between the results of the two epidemics is without a doubt, not entirely due to this.

The famous Maud Lancaster will give an exhibition of her wonderful powers at the Auditorium on Tuesday, March 25. Maud Lancaster is beyond any shadow of doubt the wonder of the new century. It has been fully established that her work is genuine telepathy, the result of a psychological power, that is comprehensible and startling. The fact that all her experiments are given without personal contact makes the performance bewildering in the extreme. No explanation of her gift is offered, that she possesses the power to feel the thought waves of others, is all that can be said. Miss Lancaster has been repeatedly subjected to the most searching scrutiny, her tests have been given under the most severe conditions, before the watchful eyes of the most distinguished scientists in Europe and America. The results have baffled all the critics and dumbfounded the doubters. There seems to be no clue for the skeptic to seize and the conviction of the genuineness of the strange occult power she possesses deepens as she proceeds with her various tests.

Sturgeon is the piano man.

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An Old-Timer's Tale.

"Talking about farming," said Joe Tiffany, "reminds me of my first efforts in agriculture in Nebraska. It was in 1869. I landed in Columbus with a little money and less knowledge of the