

As he that lives longest lives but a little while, every man may be certain that he has no time to waste. The duties of life are commensurate to its duration; and every day brings its task, which, if neglected, is doubled on the morrow.

KEEP the tongue from unkindness. Words are sometimes wounds—not very deep wounds always, and yet they irritate. Speech is unkind sometimes when there is no unkindness in the heart; so much the worse that needless wounds are inflicted, so much the worse that unintentionally pain is caused.

A CHERFUL heart paints the world as it finds it, like a sunny landscape; the morbid mind depicts it like a sterile wilderness pallid with thick vapors, and dark as the 'Shadow of Death.' It is the mirror, in short, in which it is caught, which lends to the face of nature the aspect of its own turbulence or tranquillity.

The genius of the bunco man has given us bunco in the first and second degrees. That is to say, it provides for the fleeing of a victim on two counts. In the first place, he is swindled in a 'straight game,' as the parlance goes, and then confederates of the swindlers impersonate 'detectives from police headquarters' and fleece the victim a second time, under pretense of getting his money back.

The question of the right of physicians, lawyers and other professional men to advertise their calling in the public newspapers has long been a subject of controversy, but here, as in England, it has been held by the dominant sentiment of both the leading professions that advertising their business is unbecoming and in many localities the penalty is dismissal from the fellowship of their associates.

George W. Hood, cashier of the B. & M. at Grand Island, boarded a runaway freight car as it came into the yards at that city one day last week and stopped it. The car had come from Abbott where it had been started by a high wind after the brake had been loosened by some boys.

Harvey McAllister discovered a small gold mine in his Christmas goose. On opening the gizzard of the fowl two small pieces of bright yellow metal were found, and are pronounced gold by experts. Harvey would now like to know where in Halifax or Kalamazoo that bird did its feeding.—[Madison Chronicle.]

Sheriff Kroeger took the prisoners Peter Julech and James Marshall, at the state penitentiary this morning. These are the last of those implicated in the Zitting hanging scene in Wilson precinct except Peter Bockel and son who are at liberty pending a decision from the supreme court, we believe.—[Schuyler Sun.]

Nine hundred yearling sheep have been shipped to this county from New Mexico by J. W. Ewing of Center township, says a David City exchange. Men who have seen them say they are the finest lot of sheep they have ever seen and that they are being turned into unhusked fields of corn to be fattened. Strange as it may seem they do not waste a kernel of the corn, but eat it clean as they go. When brought here a week or so ago they averaged in weight eighty-five pounds and now weigh about 100 each.

The Bellwood postoffice plan has at last been captured. W. B. Rothen has been the lucky man. After the news reached here, which was on Saturday morning, a number of our citizens, regardless of party, with bass drums, fifes and all kinds of musical instruments, made a raid on the newly appointed postmaster and on the square while the new postmaster kept time on the bass drum.

The case of Carl Korth of Pierce county, tried at Neligh, was closed on Saturday evening. The charge was embezzlement of \$6,000 of the county funds while Mr. Korth was county treasurer. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and Mr. Korth stands responsible for the loss.

A meeting was held for the purpose of considering the question of building a Catholic church in town a few days ago. Nothing further was done than the appointing of a committee to solicit subscriptions. The committee selected for this work are among the influential men of the town and vicinity and are Samuel Connolly, Fred Schmit, Peter Schad and Martin Mogan.

Notwithstanding Secretary Carlisle's refusal to allow members of the G. A. R. to solicit contributions in the treasury department for the annual Christmas dinner for the families of indigent members of the organization, an ample fund was secured for a first-class Christmas dinner were delivered to the families of 623 courages, and in addition shoes and clothing to those who needed them.

An amusing incident of the strange fear of assassination which has taken possession of Mr. Cleveland and the men who are prominent in supporting his policy, even when it is necessary for them to turn complete somersaults to do so, is causing a broad smile all over the town. The other day a son of Senator Mills, who comes from a state which has long prided itself on fearless men, applied to the police authorities for a permit to carry a pistol to protect his father from a mysterious assassin, who, he said, had threatened to kill him. The permit was granted him, and young Mr. Mills went on his way rejoicing in his license to carry a gun, not expecting that any newspaper man would ever know anything about it. That's where he was mistaken. A newspaper man not only found it out, but he printed it, and the

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