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NEBRASKA NEWS.

Hay brings \$12 to \$16 a ton in Nebraska City.

Farmers of Adams county are discussing the question of irrigation. Mr. A. Metz of West Point fell into a cellar the other day and broke his collar bone.

The force of the inspection bureau at the packing house in Nebraska City has been reduced.

Ed Larson of Clay Center had his leg broken by a horse he was riding falling through a defective culvert.

Dakota county pioneers and old settlers will hold their annual reunion at Clinton park, Dakota City, August 30.

The German Baptist people at Decatur have dedicated their new church and will have revival meetings this month.

Some farmers in Bert county are cutting their corn with self-binders. Other fields will make almost full crops of corn.

The ministerial conference of the Beatrice district of the United Brethren church will be held at Crete, beginning August 30.

The republican senatorial convention of the first district, Pawnee and Richardson counties, will meet at Falls City, Monday, August 27.

It is predicted that the Kearney cotton mill will be running again by September 1, and that about 400 people will be employed all winter.

R. E. Stewart of McCook, a prominent farmer and capitalist, dropped dead from his horse. Heart disease is the supposed cause of his death.

The fourth annual reunion of the Richardson county pioneers' society will be held at Verdon Wednesday and Thursday, August 18 and 19.

Emancipation day is being celebrated by the colored people of Falls City in great style this year. A large crowd celebrated the event in Hinton's park.

Many Antelope farmers are selling their stock for from 80 cents to \$1.25 per head. Hay is now worth \$6 per ton, corn 55 cents, oats 40 cents and wheat 65 cents per bushel.

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Three members of the family of J. E. Abel of Beatrice were poisoned by eating canned peaches. No serious results followed, and while Mrs. Abel and her two sisters were ill from the effects of the poison they are fully recovered.

At North Platte an unknown man, while attempting to board a rapidly moving freight train, fell between the cars. He escaped with the loss of an arm, which was amputated near the shoulder.

The hardware store of Koll Bros., West Point, was robbed last week. Entrance was effected through the cellar window in the rear of the store. About \$500 worth of knives, razors and revolvers were taken.

The 7-year-old Don David Root, living one mile south of Nebraska City, while playing in a haymow, fell to the floor, a distance of twenty feet. He was unconscious when found, and his injuries are thought to be serious.

The residence of Fay C. Follett of Hastings, a traveling man, was burned. The building, which was the outside of the town, and owing to the low pressure on the water mains the fire department was nearly powerless.

Pawnee, the headquarters of the Logan and Bow creek valleys there is a favorable state of crops that is in a region for fifteen miles around Randolph, which is near the corners of Wayne, Cedar, Pierce and Kearney counties.

Jefferson county mortgage record for July: Farm mortgages, 20 filed, \$11,150; 2 cancelled, \$11,050. City mortgages, 9 filed, \$1,400; nine cancelled, \$2,900. Chattel mortgages, 60 filed, \$14,400; 2 cancelled, \$1,115.15.

Alfred Geist and his son, while riding near West Point, were thrown from a wagon by the breaking of the pole and seriously injured. The boy had his leg broken and the old man was dragged for a long distance and severely bruised.

The real estate and all the personal property belonging to the Germania Water Power and Investment company of Gothenburg was sold July 27 by Henry Herman & Co. for \$10,000, subject to mortgages of \$200,000.

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The small boys of McCook have been destroying corn, tearing up and destroying green watermelons and stealing small things. Five boys were arrested and fined. Their parents paid the fines and then administered a good whipping to each.

John Steinman, a young man who has been working with a bridge gang at Pawnee City, has been notified that he has fallen heir to the estate of a relative in Switzerland. The money has been sent over and is in a bank subject to his order.

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THE END OF HER WAITING



It was a new sensation to Dolly—this perfect, beautiful happiness that had come to her. It seemed to her that some wonderful new brightness must have settled down over the world.

It was only this morning that she had dusted the old brown dress and tried to brighten it with a fresh collar and pin bow. Only this morning—scarcely twelve hours ago—she had pinned on the brown hat, with its dejected "droopy" bows, and wondered if she must walk about under it all the summer. And now it was all away back in the pitiful past.

For a moment a telegram had come for her. She was eating her lunch, so daintily put up by Aunt Harriet, when the messenger-boy came into the little back room of the millinery store and handed her a yellow envelope.

"It is all right. Coming to-morrow," it said.

That was all; but oh, the meaning of it! It meant an end to the years of weary waiting. It meant comfort and happiness and rest and the fulfillment of countless lonely dreams.

And it meant that an heir had been found at last by the puzzled lawyers, and that the fortune of the old Western miner would no longer go begging for some one to use it. For the miner's will had called for "the son of my friend Garrison Brent," and Robert was the fortunate man.

Dolly's hands were not quite steady that afternoon, when she fitted on after another of the pretty hats over her cousin Kitty's yellow bangs, and Kitty was hard to please.

"You ain't interested, Dolly; your eyes are dreamy. Do you know Robert is coming home? Any told me; they had a telegram. He is the heir, isn't he? But he's had a hard time taking care of his mother and sisters and Mrs. Brown's children. That one is a little too close; try a flaring brim."

Dolly bought another hat and paid for it. She laid the blue feathers around it.

"Maybe you'll be getting married now," Kitty said, smiling under the drooping plumes, "now that Robert is a rich man."

Dolly flushed and bent over the hats on the counter.

"It looks like it," Kitty went on. "If you are engaged, as people say. But long engagements rarely ever end in marriage, mother says. Yes, this one will do. Get it ready by Sunday, Dolly, and I nearly forgot—mother told me to ask if Aunt Harriet is through with her hat-ache."

But it was not of her pretty cousin that Dolly thought now, as she lay in the hammock under the spreading magnolia-tree down by the gate. She was resting and thinking of the blessedness of this new world that had formed itself about her—the world that held Robert all her own, and a home that she would make beautiful for him.

It was twenty years since Robert, standing by her under this very tree, in all blossom then, had told her the sweet story that every maiden must hear.

While Alfred Geist and family were riding down a hill in the country about twenty miles from West Point, the wagon broke close to the wagon, throwing Mr. Geist and his two children out on the ground. Mr. Geist was caught in the basement window and received several cuts about the head and a rib broken. His 15-year-old boy was caught between the spokes of the wheel and died. The other two children were thrown from the wagon and landed on their heads in the middle of the road.

In taking a trip through the country this week, says the Ragan News, we called on our old-time friend Johnny Fallon, and found him engaged with his irrigating appliances. He is fixing to irrigate twenty acres by a four-inch cylinder pump and a twelve-horse power engine. The water first enters two mammoth tanks, each with a capacity of nearly 10,000 barrels, from which pipes lead to convenient parts of the field and then through the ditches, which carry it through every portion of the field.

A rather ludicrous scene transpired at the Congregational church last Sunday afternoon. The altar was decorated with flowers and the choir sang. A young man, who was seated in the front row, was suddenly taken ill and fell back in his seat. He was attended to by the pastor and the choir, but he died before he could be taken to the hospital.

Joseph Freeman died at the Grand Island gold cure institute suddenly last week. Coroner Roeder was urged to look into the case, but after examining the corpse and talking with the attending physician he thought an inquest was unnecessary. Freeman came from North Platte.

Joseph Crippen, a farmer living eight miles southwest of Plainview, was nearly killed by a stroke of lightning while in Plainview. The lightning struck a tree near the Baptist church and Crippen was walking by on the sidewalk at the time. He was thrown to the ground and his face was badly burned. His face was badly burned. His face was badly burned.

J. H. McConnell, superintendent of motive power and machinery of the Union Pacific, has returned from a tour of inspection over the system. He reports everything swimming along nicely, no trouble of any kind. None of the company's shops, however, are running west of Cheyenne.

Frank Dillon and Hattie Ross of Nebraska City, charged with assaulting and robbing an old man named A. P. Duff, were given a preliminary hearing before Justice Chadwick. Both were bound over to the district court. Dillon gave \$500 bail. The woman's bond was fixed at \$800 and in default she went to jail.

A distressing accident occurred in the hardware store of George W. Briggs, South Omaha. Arthur Briggs, six-year-old son of Mr. Briggs, was accidentally shot and almost instantly killed. He was examining his father's loaded revolver when the accident occurred.

up the path, words began to grow out of the soft murmur.

"Bob Brent has struck it, they say," Bob remarked in his elegant way, and Patty replied merrily:

"Ah, yes. How sorry I am for Dolly! Poor faithful, loving Dolly!"

"Sorry? Why isn't she in it? I thought she were—"

"Why, Bob? Patty broke in, with tears in her little baby voice. Can't you see that Dolly is only a faded, middle-aged woman now, while Robert is in his prime—the handsomest man in town? And haven't you noticed how he admires Kitty? It was all well enough when he couldn't marry; but now—"

But the words were indistinct again; Dolly heard no more.

She had risen from the hammock and was standing, white and still, in the glow of the electric light. The stars were mocking her now, the stars were whispering of the twenty years that had rolled over her, carrying her freshness away.

Ben saw her there when he came down to the electric light, with a cheer, "Good night, Miss Dolly," and went whistling his newest favorite down the street.

Then Dolly crept up to her room.

"And I would have let him do it; I never would have thought of hurt me. If only I had seen! It is all so different with women, but I never thought of it before. It would not matter to me how changed Robert might be; I'd love him only the more, if he needed me. But he is grandly handsome and—and he must have a young, pretty wife. It is best, I see that—best for Robert and for her and for me; for I couldn't bear to have him sorry or—"

He pressed her head against the throat and sobbed her hands against her temples.

"He mustn't be ashamed of his wife, dear, faithful Robert. He must be happy, now that the world is his. I can bear it for him."

And then she wrote a letter, and when it was finished, she knelt by her bedside and the stars twinkled in and the breeze fanned her hair, calm and cool. The letter of it, as she knelt there giving up all she held dear. What are dimples and all fresh prettiness compared to a beauty like that? You only get the soul after these are gone.

In the morning before any of the household were awake she took the letter and carried it out to the mailbox on the corner; and then she went to the hammock under the magnolia and watched the sun rise down at the end of the cross street.

Presently the gate latch clicked, and then a pair of strong arms folded themselves about her and her head was on Robert's broad shoulder, and he was telling her how he had longed for her, and what an age the last week had been.

"You would have been sorry for me, Dolly," he was saying; "for in my hurry getting off, I left your last photograph in the pocket of the coat I'd been wearing, and there was only the letter. I'm sorry, but I'm glad you gave it to me. Forgive me, dear, but I'm more like your little silly-faced cousin Kitty than like you. There, don't be vexed—I know you are not very like her now; but between us, I believe you were like her first days, though it is hard to think of her. I'm sure you were as anything less lovely and sweet than she is now. But I will soon be my very own Dolly, and I won't be missing a photograph when I have you."

"Do you really want me, Robert?" she asked, a glial light in her dark blue eyes.

"I'll show you pretty soon. Want you? Yes, you are my Dolly, and I'm going to claim my wife and take her away with me. What a jolly time ours shall be! Yes, I know there is always trouble about clothes and things; but we won't let that make the waiting longer. Put on the little blue frock and come away with me. I want you, and I've waited twenty years for you. I must hurry to mother and Amy. I'll come for my wife at 9. Dolly, will she be ready?"

What could she say but yes.

He looked at her, his happy eyes followed him as long as his broad shoulders were in sight.

She stood by the gate until the postman came to take up the mail, and then she flew out to him and begged for the letter she had dropped through the slot an hour ago.

"It's against the rules, Miss Dolly," he said; but she held out her hand and lifted her pleading eyes to him, and he laid the letter across her palm.

Then the breakfast bell rang, and Dolly went in to tell them that her wedding day was come.

What he needed.

The New York druggists make a large percentage on the money invested. They are very exorbitant. Recently a New York invalid was told by his doctor:

"Your condition is much worse than I thought it was."

"What am I to do about it?"

"You must change your climate."

"I'll do it, doctor. I'll do it at once; for if I have to pay many more druggist's bills the climate will be the only thing left for me to change."

Turkey's Exhibition.

Turkey has for some time been planning a great exhibition, to be held in Constantinople in 1896. The sultan has just decided to postpone it until 1897 or 1898 on account of the Millennium exhibition which is to be held at Pesth in 1896, and which Turkey will be an extensive exhibitor.

A Case of Disguise.

"Been out to your grandfather's funeral again, eh?" asked the boy.

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