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THE storm south and west of Denver the first of last week was the worst known in years.

W. D. OLDHAM has been appointed deputy state attorney general by Attorney General Smyth.

TWENTY-SEVEN vessels were driven ashore and wrecked in the neighborhood of Princeton, Mass., in the big storm last week.

THE cash in the treasury is $926,117,182, against which there are demand liabilities outstanding amounting to $633,740,392, leaving a net cash balance of $292,376,790.

A PROPOSED amendment to the constitution of South Dakota in favor of the initiative and referendum carried at the last election by 6,000, while a prohibition amendment was defeated by a majority of 4,000.

THE next legislature should do something to remedy the department store evil. This cannot be class legislation as it will not only give the single liners and country merchants the patronage that is justly due them but it will prevent those who now trade at department stores from being taken in by a gang of crooks and sharpers.—Leigh World.

MAYOR QUICK of Sioux City has ordered that all slot machines in that city be removed by December 15. Forty of these machines, played for money, are operated in the city, each one paying $15 per month license. They have been doing such a business that the mayor became alarmed and others objected because of boys learning the gambling habit.

AN attempted hold-up by three masked men near Sedalia, Missouri, of a Missouri-Pacific passenger train, resulted in the capture of one of the robbers, Jim West, an engineer in the employ of the company. Having been advised that the hold-up would be attempted, the company had provided ten armed men to give the would-be robbers a hot reception.

MRS. Joseph Pfifer, living near Nebraska City was accidentally shot by her 16-year-old son Joseph Tuesday of last week, and died almost instantly. The boy fired a charge of heavy shot at a rabbit that had taken refuge under a corn crib ignorant of the fact that his mother was standing on the opposite side of the crib. Two shot took effect in her temple.

THE press of this country in the main, stands for honesty and efficiency in government and administration; for purity in politics; for justice, mercy, liberty, humanity, and loyalty to country. If there are any newspapers recreant to these high ideals, such are compelled to simulate, at least, the appearance of the virtues that they do not possess. This condition exists because the men back of the newspapers, like Americans in all the other legitimate callings of life, are true to these grand principles that are the foundation stones and enter into the whole superstruction of our free government.—this mighty temple of liberty, of individual rights and responsibilities.—Culbertson Era.

ANOTHER POP GONE WRONG.

A Judas Iscariot in Complexion and Principle.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—I see by the Argus that Mr. Brindley's memory is a little defective, as he claims that he has known me for 30 years, and that I used to be a Jacksonian democrat. My memory reverts to 1871, when I became a voter, and I am proud to say that I cast a republican vote in 1871 and continually since that time. I well remember how many times I have been a delegate to the republican conventions in Polk county. I have often talked with Bro. Brindley and looked in his face with pity, to think how his mind would rattle around in his cranium like a buck-shot in a tin wash-boiler. He claims that I have always been a champion for the poor, the wronged and the oppressed. I admit that I am sympathetic with those who are cast out upon the cold charities of an unfriendly world.

I think Bro. Brindley is a well-meaning man and does not seek to do a fellow man an injustice, but there is a sort of a Judas Iscariot, silver principle about him that I really wish he would get rid of. I think he ought to take something for that pop doctrine which he advocates and get the knot on his neck straightened out. I think the warm congenial climate of the Philippines would be beneficial to him, and I would make a motion that we start the ball rolling in Platte county and never let up until we have landed every pop in America safely on the sunny islands of the Philippines.

Yours forever a republican,
GEORGE E. BARNUM.

London Press Comment on Message.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Much having been expected there is a certain tone of disappointment in the morning papers on President McKinley's message. Its noncommittal character is attributed to the fact that the negotiations of the peace commissioners at Paris are not yet finished. Considerable satisfaction is expressed at the references to Anglo-American relations and at the coldness displayed toward Russia.

Pope Not Hostile to American Policy.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Mr. William T. Stead, editor of the Review of Reviews, who has just returned from the vatican, gives to the correspondent of the Associated Press an unqualified denial of all stories representing that the pope is hostile to the American policy regarding the Philippines. On the contrary his holiness is ready to co-operate with the United States in restoring order there.

France Demands a Slice of China.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "France has made demands at Nankin (the southern capital of China), near the right bank of the Yang-tse-Kiang and about 90 miles from its mouth, that are equivalent to the alienation of a valuable portion of the Yangtse valley. The viceroy of Nankin stoutly refuses to accede."

For Fifty-Year Franchises.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—An ordinance was introduced in the municipal council last night extending the franchises of all the street car companies now operating in the city 50 years. The matter was referred to a committee and will come up for final passage next week.

A good beginning is all-important. Let congress start right with its colonial legislation.

HEADWAY IN PEACE PACT

Americans Report Satisfactory Progress Made.

COMMISSIONER DAY'S EPIGRAM.

Informs Spanish Representatives That "A Peace Treaty Can Contain Anything Which the Victors Put Into It."—Calls a Halt on Further Quibbling—Joint Session a Lively One.

PARIS, Dec. 6.—The joint peace commission was in session for over four hours. Much of the discussion concerned details as to the guaranteeing of the rights of Spanish citizens in the ceded colonies. The debate was occasionally energetic, and the Spaniards, on adjourning, appeared to be dejected.

Secretary Ojeda of the Spanish commission, when questioned after the meeting as to the progress made, said, excitedly: "I am almost mad. I cannot talk. We are making progress."

The American commissioners declined to say anything further than the progress was satisfactory.

The history of the document, which will certify the passing of the oldest colonial power in the world, and the advent of the new, was signalized in a single sentence, "A peace treaty can contain anything which victors put into it."

The Americans listened for hours with their customary patience to the technicalities convoked by the Spaniards with their customary shrewdness and persistency against proposals making for the dismemberment of their empire. Darkness had come on, and Senator Frye, whose unconcealed contempt for diplomatic quibblings excites the amazement of the Castillians, had stalked out, his patience exhausted. The burden of the Spanish arguments was that matters outside the bare cession and evacuation of the Spanish territory, which the Americans proposed to cover by the treaty, were beyond the legitimate and customary scope of a peace treaty. Behind this bulwark Senor Montero Rios, president of the Spanish commission, fortified himself, bombarding his opponents with a supply of arguments and precedents which inspired the freely expressed admiration of the Americans. Finally Judge Day summarized the American position in the foregoing memorable utterance. It was given and taken in good spirit and from that moment the proceedings were entirely friendly. The session accomplished much. Eight open questions were canvassed, seven being practically settled without noteworthy friction. The commissioners decline to say what conclusion was reached, but the bargain for a coaling station in the Carolines was not cemented and according to present prospects, it is likely to fail.

Cuban Leader on the Message.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—General Garcia, who is still somewhat indisposed, spent the evening at his hotel. Mr. Quesada, speaking for the commission, said: "The president's message is regarded as very satisfactory. Its publication at this time will do good, counteracting reports that have been spread in Cuba by people who have not the real interests of the country at heart. We have full faith in the United States and in the just intentions of President McKinley, and the men who have made the revolution of Cuba aim to work with the United States to establish a government that will have the respect of nations. General Garcia is well satisfied with the interviews he has had with American officials. The information he is giving and gathering will aid greatly in the work of regeneration we have in hand."

Spain Soothing With Sedition.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—The Paris correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "According to trustworthy news from Madrid, Spain is soothing with sedition, born of bankruptcy and ruin. One of the best informed men in the kingdom assures me that the chances of a revolution are increasing by leaps and bounds. Carlism exists in three provinces only, but the disaffection toward the present government is co-extensive with the entire Spanish race."

NATIONAL FARMERS' CONGRESS.

Annual Convention Opens at Fort Worth With 500 Delegates Present.

FORT WORTH, TEX., Dec. 6.—The National Farmers' congress met in annual session here today. There are about 500 delegates on hand.

The first day's program consisted of an address of welcome and responses. Governor Hoard then delivered his annual address.

It is noticeable that representatives of the beet sugar industry are here in numbers, and it is more than likely that the probable effect on that branch of farming by the annexation of the Philippines will be one of the most exciting questions to claim the attention of the convention. Iowa and Colorado have the largest delegations here, but all the transmississippi valley is well represented. The convention will remain in session four days.

Explosion Kills Five.

PEORIA, Cal., Dec. 6.—The nitro-glycerine house of the Hudson Powder company blew up at 3:30 p. m., killing Superintendent Charles Kennedy and four Chinamen, the only workmen in the building at the time. The explosion was a terrific one, four tons of nitro-glycerine blowing up, completely demolishing the building. The same house was badly damaged by an explosion six weeks ago and two Chinese were killed. Superintendent Kennedy was superintending some mixing when the explosion in the afternoon occurred. It is probable that the cause of the explosion will never be known, as no one who was in the building escaped death.

Supervisors' Proceedings.

Columbus, Neb., Nov. 21, 1898.

Board called to order, Supervisors Lisco, Wiggins and Chairman Bender, being present. No quorum present and board adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Columbus, Neb., Nov. 22, 1898.

Board met at 10 o'clock pursuant to adjournment. Present—Supervisors Lisco, Kiernan, Olson, Wiggins and Chairman Bender.

The board took a recess for special committee work until 1 o'clock this p. m.

Board reconvened at 1 o'clock, the chairman, clerk and entire board present.

Minutes of the last session of the board were read and approved.

Communication from residents of Butler township, calling the attention of the board to the destitute condition of one Joseph Furmanski, was presented and referred to Supervisor Lisco.

Claim of Mrs. L. E. Stewart $200, damages caused by opening ditch on south line of southwest ¼ of section 16 township 17 range 1 east, referred to committee on claims.

Report of T. D. Robison, county judge, of the fees earned in his office for the 3rd. quarter of 1898, ordered filed.

Following committee report was presented:

Columbus, Neb., Nov. 29, 1898.

To the Board of Supervisors of Platte County' Neb.

Gentlemen:—Your committee appointed to examine the records and files in the office of the county judge and to submit to this board a report of the fees earned by Ex County Judge Kilian for the year 1897, would report that we proceeded with said investigation and found that we were unable from the fee book kept by Ex-Judge Kilian, to arrive definitely at the amount of fees earned by him during said year; we were therefore compelled to carefully examine the files and the record in all cases. From these we report as follows:

PROBATE CASES

We find that the records show that he charged himself with fees earned in probate cases, the sum of	$ 942 43
From this amount, however, should be deducted for illegal charges as fees for filing vouchers in cases of settlement of estates, (as per opinion of county attorney herewith attached) the sum of	$ 98 47
There should also be deducted from above sum of $942.43, illegal overcharges as fees for making complete records, the sum of	$ 29 90 $ 28 27
Leaving a balance of	$ 844 06
Amount reported by Ex-Judge Kilian as per his report of February 7, 1898	$ 697 73
Balance not reported	$ 146 33

COUNTY COURT CASES.

We find that he has earned as fees in county court cases, the sum of	$ 216 20
Amount reported by Ex-Judge Kilian, as per his report of February 7, 1898	$ 197 70
Balance not reported	$ 18 50

JUSTICE CASES.

We find that he has earned as fees in justice cases, the sum of	$ 312 67
Amount reported by Ex Judge Kilian, as per his supplemental report of April 8, 1898	$ 241 12
Balance not reported	$ 71 55

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

We find that he has issued during the year 147 marriage licenses, for which he is entitled under the law (as per county attorney's opinion hereto attached) to the sum of $1.50 each	$ 220 50
Amount reported as received by ex-Judge Kilian as per his report of Feb. 7, 1898	292 75
Balance illegal overcharge	72 25

MARRIAGE CEREMONIES.

We find that he has performed 26 marriage ceremonies for which he is entitled to the sum of $2.00 each	78 00
Amount reported by ex-judge Kilian as per his supplemental report of April 8th, 1898	69 00
Balance not reported	9 00

RECAPITULATION.

Total fees earned in probate cases	844 06
Total fees earned in county court cases	216 20
Total fees earned in justice cases	312 67
Total fees earned in issuing marriage licenses	220 50
Total fees earned in performing marriage ceremonies	78 00
Total fees earned	1671 43
Amount of fees allowed by law to be retained by County Judge	1500 00
Excess of fees earned, due Platte county	$ 171 43

Your committee desire to state in conclusion, that in making this examination and report, we have, in all cases where doubt arose as to the legality of a charge, invariably given Mr. Kilian the benefit of the doubt.

Respectfully submitted,
D. A. BECHER,
J. WIGGINS.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted and same ordered spread upon the record.

The bids on file with the clerk for the lease of the county poor farm were now opened, which were as follows:

J. W. James offered for the use of the farm for year 1899 $520.00, and agreed to care for all paupers thereat, at the rate of $2.00 per week each.

The following supplemental bid was also filed by J. W. James. I agree to give the sum of $375.00 per annum for the period of three years for the rent of said farm and to care for the inmates of the poor house at the rate of $2.00 per week each.

On motion the bids were referred to the committee on county poor farm.

Communication from the town board of Monroe township regarding the unsafe condition of a certain bridge over the irrigation canal in said township, was presented and read and on motion referred to the county attorney for his advice as to the proper steps for the board to take to enforce the request of said town board.

Recess until 9 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

Columbus, Nebr., Wednesday a. m., Nov. 23, '98

Board met at 9 o'clock pursuant to adjournment, all members being present, and for the purpose of allowing committees to properly consider matters referred to them a recess was taken until 2 o'clock this p. m.

Board reconvened at 2 o'clock p. m., Hon. Peter Bender, chairman, and G. W. Phillips, clerk. Roll called and the following members present: Supervisors Becher, Carrig, Kiernan, Lisco, Olson, Wiggins and Mr. Chairman.

Communication from the Clerk of the District Court, giving notice of the verdict rendered against the county of $10.70 and costs, in the case of Schubert vs. Platte County. After some discussion it was moved by Supervisor Kiernan that a warrant be issued for the sum of $10.70 upon the county general fund in full satisfaction of said judgment, that said warrant be drawn in favor of the county treasurer to apply on the delinquent personal taxes of said Carl Schubert. Motion carried.

Communication from L. L. Albert, relative to the payment of the 1898 taxes on lot 7 and the west half of lot 8 in block 7 of Smith's Addition to Columbus, was presented and referred to the committee on claims.

Report of J. C. Byrnes, sheriff, of the fees earned in his office for the third quarter of 1898, presented and ordered filed.

The following was submitted:

I have to report that on July 12, 1898, a petition was filed in my office for the location of a public road commencing at the southeast corner of section 15 town 18 range 4 west and running thence due west on line between Nance and Platte counties to the southwest corner of section 16 town 18 range 4 west; that on behalf of Platte county I appointed H. L. Rossiter a special commissioner; that on July 28, 1898, the commissioners appointed struck filed their report recommending the establishment of a road on the line prayed for. I immediately caused notice to be served upon all resident property owners along the line of said road and further caused a notice to be published giving not less than 60 nor more than 90 days within which to file claims for damages or remonstrances to said location. No remonstrances or claims for damages having been filed I report the same for your consideration.

G. W. PHILLIPS, Clerk.

Moved by Supervisor Kiernan that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, that the road be declared duly established as prayed for, the Surveyor be instructed to perpetuate the government section corners along the line of said road and file a plat of the survey thereof, together with the field notes with the clerk of this board. Motion carried.

The following was submitted:

I have to report that on Sept. 1, 1898, there was filed in my office a petition for a public road commencing at the northwest corner of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 1 town 17 range 3 west, and running thence south through the centers of the east half of sections 1 and 12 in town 17 range 3 west and terminating at the main channel of the Loup river, be located; also that a public road known as the "Hollingshead road No. 2," and commencing at the southwest corner of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 1 town 17 range 3 west, and running thence west in a northwesterly direction in a straight line to the northwest corner of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of said section 1 town 17 range 3 west, be vacated; I at once appointed R. L. Rossiter a special commissioner thereon, and on Sept. 3, 1898, his report was filed in which he recommended the location and vacation as prayed for in said petition. Notice was published giving not less than 60 nor more than 90 days within which to file claims for damages or remonstrances against the same. No claims or remonstrances being filed, I report the matter for your consideration.

G. W. PHILLIPS, Clerk.

Moved by Supervisor Kiernan that the prayers of the petitioners be granted, that the roads be declared located and vacated respectively as prayed for in said petition, and that the county surveyor be directed to survey same and file his report with the county clerk. Motion carried.

The following report was submitted:

Your committee on county poor farm, having under consideration the request of Mr. James, the overseer of the farm, for the building of a barn thereon, would report that we have given the matter thoughtful consideration and we are of the opinion that it is for the best interest of the county that said barn be built. We accordingly secured plans for said barn and requested bids for its erection, including labor and material. The bids are now on file with the clerk of this board.

On motion the report of the committee was accepted and clerk directed to open the bids on file, as follows:

C. H. Young	$367 00
Wm. Roth	360 00
C. J. Scott	354 00
C. H. Davis	425 00
William Steinbaugh ($25.81, or with stone piers instead of brick foundation and county to furnish material on ground	415 41

Referred to committee on county farm.

The following committee report was submitted:

Your committee on poor farm, would report that we have fully considered the bids submitted by J. W. James for the lease of the poor farm, and are of the opinion that his proposition offering $375.00 per annum for the use of the poor farm for a period of three years and agreeing to care for the inmates of the county poor house at $2.00 per week each, is the best bid. We therefore recommend that proposition be accepted and that the county attorney be directed to prepare the necessary contract and bond.

C. J. CARRIG,
D. A. BECHER,
NILS OLSON, Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, in the location of the "Dewey Road" in Woodville township on the line between Nance and Platte counties, William Adamson sustained a loss of one acre of land along the south line of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 35 town 19 range 4 west, appropriated for road purposes; therefore be it

Resolved, That for the purpose of compensating said Adamson for the land so taken, that a warrant in the sum of $20.00 be allowed him and that same be drawn on the county road fund and charged to the account of Woodville township.

JAMES KIERNAN.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Moved by Supervisor Olson that we now take a recess for committee work until 9 o'clock a. m. Friday, Nov. 25, 1898. Motion carried. Supervisor Lisco voting no.

Columbus, Neb., Friday a. m., Nov. 25, 1898.

Board met at 9 o'clock pursuant to adjournment. Hon. Peter Bender, chairman, and G. W. Phillips, clerk. Roll called and the following members present: Supervisors Becher, Carrig, Kiernan, Lisco, Olson, Wiggins and Mr. Chairman.

The following bills were on motion allowed and the clerk directed to issue warrants on the county general fund:

Schwarz & Easton mdse for county	$ 15 65
A. Dussell & Son plumbing at court house	5 85
A. Dussell & Son plumbing at court house	8 55
L. H. Leavy, Supt. cash acct	15 00
K. D. Fitzpatrick mdse for jail	14 65
Henry Ragatz & Co. mdse for county	16 15
Omaha Printing Co. mdse for county	55 10
Omaha Printing Co. mdse for county	16 41
Times Printing Co. printing ballots	32 60
C. Gruenther legal printing	96 64
Lindsay Post legal printing	101 53
Humphrey Democrat legal printing (claimed $93.87)	96 37
Nebraska Biene legal printing	5 47
Nebraska Biene Legal printing	$ 74 22
County Treasurer account delinquent tax J H Johannes, legal printing	16 92
County Treasurer account delinquent tax M K Turner legal printing	116 48
County Treasurer account delinquent tax J L Paschal legal printing	17 13
County Treasurer account delinquent tax Argus Printing Co. legal printing	14 10
County Treasurer account delinquent tax Henry Gass mdse. for jail	6 75
Argus Printing Co. legal printing	19 50
Columbus Telegram legal printing	168 16
M K Turner & Co. legal printing	2 85
Patrick Murray, wood for court house	4 00
Neb. Tel. Co. service for Oct. & Nov. '98	18 00
City of Columbus, water rent Aug. to November, 98	1 91
E H Chambers, canvassing election returns	5 00
C A Speice, canvassing election returns	5 00
G W Phillips, " " "	5 00
G W Phillips, clerk, issuing certificate of election	33 00
H S Elliott, Treas. cash adv	12 25
G A Plath, livery for board	3 00
D A Becher, Supr. Dist and Com. work	16 00
E Y Lisco, Supr. district work	42 00
Peter Bender, Supr. district work and signing warrants	27 20
G W Phillips, clerk, cash adv	17 65
Thos. Gentleman, guarding Peter Madison, insane	2 00
County Treasurer, account delinquent tax F W Herrick, mdse. for jail	4 00
J C Byrnes, sheriff, summoning jury and attending court	60 00
G B Speice, C D C clerk's fees	13 95
G B Speice, C D C costs Schubert vs Platte county	18 05
G B Speice, C D C cost state vs Laughlin et al	32 70
John Elliott, Bailiff D C	10 00
John Huber " "	10 00
C J Carrig witness Ang. Hedrick, insane	3 50
County Treasurer account delinquent tax Adam Smith, witness Hedrick Ins	2 50
James Naylor, juror 1898 term D C	8 10
John J Galley " "	8 10
Joseph Gilladorf " "	10 70
T D Lickley " "	11 60
Siebert Heibel " "	8 90
William Weber " "	10 60
L J Hendrix " "	9 60
Andrew Peterson " "	13 00
Richard McGuane " "	9 60
A W Clark " "	8 50
Richard Olmer " "	10 60
Charles Scheuth " "	10 70
James Maher " "	9 50
John Dosusch " "	11 70
William Wenk " "	4 20
S K Painter " "	6 00
Peter Ripp " "	10 10
Peter Johnson " "	13 60
J B Maurer " "	11 70
John Banster " "	10 60
Thomas Gentleman " "	8 10
Stephen Rogers " "	8 10
Jas. Lanktree, taleman " "	4 10
W F Dinneen " "	4 90
Jacob Schram " "	4 10
Wm. Thompson " "	4 10
John Wagner " "	4 10
Daniel Sheedy " "	4 10
John Blahak " "	4 10
A R Fox'er Spec. venire	8 10
Jacob Schram "	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax C H Percey, Juror '98 term D C	9 70
County Treasurer, account del. tax Chris Biens '98 term	9 30
County Treasurer, account del. tax D C Kavanaugh juror '98 term	4 00
County Treasurer, account del. tax J C Lanktree meals for jurors	4 45
J C Lanktree, meals for jurors	5 30
P H Metz, coroner fees inquest J H Wilckens	12 50
Grace Clark, witness state vs. Laughlin " " " "	4 10
R Y Lisco " " " "	2 30
Peter Bender " " " "	9 20
Frank Taylor " " " "	10 10
Samuel Goode " " " "	10 10
J C Byrnes, sheriff " " " "	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax Ed. Elston, witness state vs. Laughlin	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax Henry Luers, witness vs. Laughlin	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax Perry Loshbaugh, witness state vs. Laughlin	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax Adam Smith, witness state vs. Laughlin	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax Adam Smith constable D C	8 00
County Treasurer, account del. tax list E Pohl, witness Schubert vs. Co.	4 10
County Treasurer, account del. tax W M Cornelius, counsel, Laughlin	16 44
W M Cornelius, counsel, state vs. Laughlin et al	8 86
J C Byrnes, sheriff, jailor and janitor salary	86 50
J C Byrnes, sheriff, boarding prisoners etc	171 45
Wm Dreemann, coffin for pauper	15 00
T D Robison, judge, certificate of appointment boards of election	29 40
Stevenson & Lanfear, part payment contract painting court house	100 00
Hugo Schaad, refund tax paid twice	7 36
J Henry Johannes, error in assessment	2 10
G W Phillips, clerk, expenses delivering ballots	18 00
James Kiernan, Supr. district work	14 00
Joseph Lasek, J. P., swearing appraisers (claimed $1 50)	30

FOLLOWING BILLS WERE ALLOWED ON THE COUNTY POOR FUND:

St Mary's Hospital, care of indigent patients	12 00
St Mary's Hospital, care of indigent patients	40 00
St Mary's Hospital, care of indigent patients	8 56
Henry Ragatz & Co. mdse for poor	7 78
Louis Reid, water tank for poor farm	12 00
C A Speice & Co., coal for poor	5 50
G P Pugh, M D, medicine services, E Klippenkn	12 65
A Dussell & Son, pump supplies at poor farm	2 47
Schwarz & Easton, supplies for poor farm	5 70
County Treasurer, account del. tax A Dussel & Son, supplies for poor farm	25 32

Bill of A. L. Keen, house rent for sheriff Oct. and Nov. 1898, $24.00, was reported back by the committee with the recommendation that same be allowed on the county general fund. On motion the report of the committee was adopted, Supr. Lisco voting no.

Bill of G. D. Willis, $12.00 for plans and specifications for barn at poor farm, and bill of A. J. Baker, M. D., for special examination of the body of Henry Wilckens, $10.00, were laid over until next meeting for further investigation.

Claim of Frank L. Taylor, $150.00 for capture of three horse thieves was on recommendation of the committee rejected, for the reason that there was no conviction.

Bills of H. J. Hudson, justice fees in the case of State of Nebraska vs. Peter Abts and Mike Scorupa, were reported back by the committee on judiciary as being misdemeanor cases, and were therefore disallowed.

Bill of J. N. Kilian $71.85, for numerous fees, was reported back by the committee on judiciary with the recommendation that the sum of $41.35 be allowed as payment in full, and same to apply on the amount due Platte county from Mr. Kilian. Report adopted.

The following bills were allowed on the 1897 county road fund:

Columbus Telegram, acc't. Butler twp	$ 5 00
Lindsay Post, acc't. Walker twp	15 00
" " " St. Bernard twp	10 00
" " " Bismark twp	1 00

The following committee report was presented:

"We your committee on poor farm would report that we have examined the bids for the erection of the barn on said farm, and we find the bid of William Steinbaugh to be the lowest and best bid. We therefore recommend that his bid of $415.41 for the erection and completion of barn, he to use rock piers instead of brick foundation, be accepted and contract awarded him. We further recommend that the sum of $30 00 additional be allowed Mr. Steinbaugh for hauling the material to the building site, and that Mr. Steinbaugh be required to enter into contract for the same and furnish good and sufficient bond. He to be allowed 30 days from this date to complete said barn, allowance to be made for bad weather."

C. J. CARRIG,
D. A. BECHER,
NILS OLSON,
Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted and contract awarded as recommended, and the county attorney directed to prepare the necessary contract and bond.

Board now took a recess until 2 o'clock this p. m.

(Continued next week.)

A Good Enterprise.

As many JOURNAL readers know, A. W. Armstrong is one of our best machinists. He has just erected a foundry and machine-shop, 40x44 feet, on west Tenth street, and will be fully ready for business by the twentieth of the month, expecting to start out with three men and to increase the force as business may require. He will do all kinds of general repair work on engines, pumps, boilers, etc., and will manufacture smoke-stacks and gasoline engines.

After he gets under headway he will have gasoline and steam engines from two to ten-horse power, to sell or rent.

His foundry will be of 5-ton capacity, that is, one melting of iron may be as much as five tons.

He has employed a No. 1 foundryman for that branch of business. He intends working in brass as well as iron.

Mr. Armstrong has for some time been successfully engaged in running feed-grinders and will not discontinue that line of business. Farmers having a large quantity of feed to grind, can have it done by him at their place, thus saving transportation, if they wish to feed on the farm. Mr. Armstrong has a good portable engine, and prices are very reasonable.

Give him a call when wanting anything in his line. 2t

St. Mary's Hospital.

We extend our sincerest thanks and gratitude to all persons who assisted us by so liberally donating cash and other valuables, and to all who so cheerfully gave their services free for the financial and social success of the fair for the benefit of St. Mary's Hospital.

SISTER M. HENRICA,
Superioress.

Real Estate Transfers.

Becher, Jaggi & Co., real estate agents, report the following real estate transfers filed in the office of the county clerk for the week ending Dec. 3, 1898.

Pearl B. Bonesteel to Mary A. and Agnes Pense, s½ lots 1 and 2, blk 32, Columbus, wd	$ 500 00
August Smith to William Weber, sw¼ 6-17-1w, wd	4000 00
Joshua Van Blaricom to W. N. Condon, sw¼ 6-20-1w and w½ sw¼ 31-21-1w, wd	7000 00
C. W. Hollingshead to Wesley Cole, lot 8 blk "B" Monroe, wd	50 00
State of Nebraska to Heinrich Johannes, nw¼ sw¼ 36-19-1e, deed	—
Commercial Bank to Heinrich Kluever, nw¼ 31-19-1w, wd	4900 00
Pioneer Township Co. to C. F. Buhmann, lots 1, 2, 3, blk 3, Creston, wd	180 00
Seven transfers, total	$16,630 00

Weather Report.

Review of the weather near Genoa for the month of November, 1898.

Mean temperature of the month	21.90°
Mean do same month last year	34.27°
Highest daily temperature on 3rd	70°
Lowest do on the 23rd below zero	5°
Clear days	10
Fair days	10
Cloudy days	10
Rain or snow fell during portions of 5 days:	
Inches of rain or melted snow	0.55 in
Do of the same month last year	0.34 in
Greatest amount in 24 hours	0.32 in
Inches of snow	6.25 in
Do of the same month last year	2.25 in

A very violent storm of wind from northwest commencing on the 20th at 4 p. m., and continuing for 48 hours supplemented by snow and a fall in temperature of 40 degrees. Parhelia 26 and 30.

$100 for Letters About Nebraska.

The Burlington Route (B. & M. R. R.) offers thirteen prizes ranging from $5 to $25 and aggregating one hundred dollars for the thirteen letters, which, in the opinion of a competent committee, are best calculated to encourage immigration to Nebraska.

Every contestant, whether or not his contribution is awarded a prize, will receive the "Corn Belt" (a handsome 16 page monthly publication) for six months free of charge. The contest is open to all. Details can be obtained by addressing J. Francis, G. P. A., Burlington Route, Omaha, Neb. 7-dec-3

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realized the value of a real estate agent to secure bargains ahead of time for a small commission. So they had to just rush in and get killed in the scuffle for a home. If we had the handling of that property, as we have around this vicinity our clients would have been the lucky "boomers," for we would have secured the choicest. Look at our list of bargains in homes and farms.

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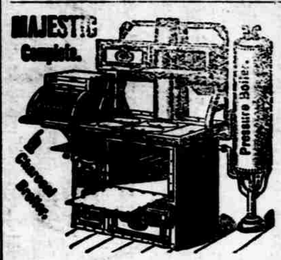

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NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the County Clerk of Platte county, Nebraska, until 4 o'clock p. m., December 31st, 1898, for the construction of a wagon bridge over Shell creek in said county, on the line of the "Ole Road" in the S. W. ¼ of Sec. 1, Town 20, Range 4 west, as per plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Clerk of said county.

Bids, accompanied with plans and specifications for a steel bridge, will also be received at the same time and place for the construction of this bridge.

The successful bidder will be required to enter into a good and sufficient bond for the faithful performance of the contract.

Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated Columbus, Nebraska, Nov. 24, 1898.
G. W. PHILLIPS,
7-dec-4 County Clerk.

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