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WHOLE NUMBER 1,812.

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Just drop in and let us explain to you why you should keep a bank account. Some of the best reasons are: your money will be perfectly safe, and ready for your instant use at any time; when you pay by check you are returned a receipt when the check is returned to you properly endorsed; a friend in a bank is a valuable friend at times. Let us get in touch with you and be your friend.

Columbus State Bank

### Many Years Ago.

(From files of Journal May 29, 1872)  
Two hundred Oton Indians are encamped near the Loup.

"Prairie Schooners" pass our office nearly every day.

Married, May 14, by Judge Higgins, John Stauffer and Miss Eliza Blazer, both of Platte county.

Horace Greely, the presidential candidate of the Liberals, has written a letter of acceptance.

Local Retail Market: tea \$1.25 to \$1.26; coffee 28 to 30c; chewing tobacco 85 to \$1.25; eggs 10; potatoes 25 to 40; dry apples 11 to 15c; corn meal \$1.50 per hundred; coal oil 40c; flour \$4.25.

(From files of June 5, 1872)  
Mr. Hood's residence on Pacific Avenue is completed.

Hugh Compton's gothic residence on Olive street is near completion.

One night last week George and Jan, Galley found two men in their school house and succeeded in arresting one of them.

The town council is to be praised for establishing a grade for our streets and have given the work of grading to Charles Brindley.

The following expenditures are to be made by the general government for our state: Building a court house and post office at Omaha, \$100,000; for rent of office etc. of surveyor general of Iowa and Nebraska, \$6,300; for the survey of the northern boundary of Nebraska, \$800.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Snow returned home Saturday after a month's trip back east. They visited Niagara Falls, spent a week at Lake George, took a trip down the Hudson, they also visited New York, Philadelphia, Washington and other large cities. Mr. Snow informs the reporter that Nebraska looked good to him.

E. C. Carrig left Sunday for the western part of the state.



## THE NIMBLE NICKLE

and the slow shilling are comparable to the man who has money for investment and won't see the opportunity we are offering. Like the nickel, if he speaks quick he snags up the bargain, but if, like the slow shilling, he comes later to buy it'll cost him the shilling where now, the nickel will do the trick.

Bocher, Beckenberger & Chambers

215th St., Columbus, Neb.

Miss Mary Higgins is visiting at the Kyle home in Dunbar for a few days.

The County Supervisors have rented two office rooms in the basement of the new bank building for Judge Ratterman.

Louis McMullen returned Wednesday from Omaha where he has been working for the Western Union Telegraph Co. He went overland on his wheel.

Friday afternoon Mrs. Geo. Scott slipped and broke a bone in the left limb just above the ankle except for the extreme heat she is doing nicely.

Miss Marie Zinnecker returned Monday for a two weeks trip to Osceola. Miss Louise Echols who accompanied her stopped at Silver Creek to visit.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Karr enjoyed a visit from their daughter, Mrs. Julian Olson of Omaha and little son, Myron jr.; also Miss Thyrna Karr of Omaha.

Prof. W. E. Weaver left last week for Morrison, Illinois, on a business trip, but will return in time to accompany Mrs. Weaver and daughter home in September.

Miss Letitia Speice left for Colorado Springs Saturday night where she will meet her brother Milton Speice and family of Kingfisher, Okla., for a ten days visit.

Mrs. H. G. Fricke spent Sunday with Mr. Fricke in Madison. Mrs. Fricke returned home with Miss Sadie McPeterson, of Madison, who has been visiting her for several weeks.

Saturday Geo. Schwante of Humphrey township was adjudged insane by the insanity board and will be taken to Norfolk as soon as the proper papers are received from the asylum.

W. H. Kaiser of Council Bluffs with his wife and daughter have moved to Columbus. Mr. Kaiser expects to engage in some business here but for some time will take a much needed rest.

Mrs. Norine Heins and her sister, Helen Leitner, nees of Mrs. Hans Elliott, who have been visiting here for past two weeks, returned Sunday to their home in Sacramento, California.

Mr. J. O. Eckols and son Dan returned Thursday night from their Minnesota trip. Phil Echols stopped on his return in Omaha to visit Albert and Gilbert Anderson. He returned Friday night.

Charles Borgs brought suit on the 18th against Wm. J. Voss, to obtain an execution which Voss resists, claims he is execution proof and is not possessor of over \$2,000 worth of property allowed by law.

Mrs. I. W. Muagrave of Council Bluffs, Iowa formerly of Columbus was in the city Friday. Mrs. Muagrave has been up to Madison to visit her parents and help celebrate their Golden wedding anniversary.

A suit was brought on Saturday by Frank Willier and others against James Cummings and others, the suit is brought to obtain possession of certain lands which plaintiff claims Cummings held unlawfully.

Mrs. George DeFord who has been the guest of her sister Mrs. Brugger left for her home in National City California Monday night. Another sister, Mrs. Ernst Stenger returned from Denver Sunday, and after a day's visit with Mrs. Brugger accompanied Mrs. DeFord to California.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen held a union meeting of the neighboring lodges Friday night, for the purpose of forming plans to hold a general rally of all the A. O. U. W. lodges in this part of the state. The meeting will occur September 7th and will be open to all the friends of Fraternal Societies. Mr. Tate, the Supreme Representative, will be present. Mr. Tate has a national reputation as an orator and it will pay anyone to go miles to hear him. Excursions will probably be run on all the branches out of Columbus and a grand time is promised to all who come.

The funeral of Mr. Adolph Berger Sr. held here last Sunday was an exceptionally large one. A very large number of people from the city and the country participated in the ceremony and witnessed his burial. Although special sittings were provided for in the Baptist church a large number had to stand outside. The procession contained thirty-two vehicles headed by the firemen. Even in the home, more than a mile west of town, more friends gathered than the house could hold. Mr. Berger was a well known and well liked man. Thirty-four years ago he came to this part of Nebraska. At the age of eighteen he left Friedland his birthplace in Germany, where he was born in 1849, and for five years made Detroit his home. Mr. Berger had his share of the hardships and physical sufferings of this life, more than thrice he has been on the operator's table. From his last operation he never quite fully rallied and the days of the last seven months of his life were very few in which he did not suffer intense pain. His death was hastened at the last by a hemorrhage of the brain. Mr. Berger died Thursday evening, August 16, with his wife and eight children and other near relatives gathered about his death-bed.

Advertised Letters:

W. S. Darley; Fred Barnes; Alvino Obleman; L. D. Parsons; Fred Porter; Bertha Boninger; Effie Gadois; Carl Schulte; Wella Sheelon; Al Swiggart; J. B. Tobias; H. E. Wilson.

CARL KRASNER, Post Master.

## Blue Blazes

If you do not own an alcohol stove you should get one, for they are a most convenient article in an emergency. The blue flame from alcohol never smuts things, for there's no smoke, and the intense heat from it allows a great saving of time in heating water or anything else that is to be used hot.

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Ghas. H. Dack  
...Druggist...

Miss Anna Becker is spending the week visiting Mrs. Fox of Norfolk.

Mr. S. Connelly of near Humphrey, transacted business in the city Monday.

Miss Julia Millard of Omaha is a guest at the home of her uncle, Geo. E. Willard.

Bert Galley left Monday for the east to attend the encampment of the Sons of Veterans.

Miss Mary Patach left last Saturday for a few weeks visit with friends at Ravenna.

Monday the insanity board committed Geo. Bradshaw to the asylum at Lincoln for dipomania.

J. N. Umland accompanied by his family left for Fort Dodge Iowa Monday to spend his vacation.

J. A. Kilborn wishes to announce that watermelons are free to everybody that comes out to eat them.

Superintendent Sherman, will meet all the teachers at the High school at 3 p. m. Saturday, Sept. 1.

Miss Alice Quinn, left for Chicago Sunday to enter the hospital there to study for a trained nurse.

Mrs. Carrie Goodrich of Cedar Rapids, spent Sunday with Miss Florence Whitmeyer on her return from Denver.

May McCray, the three year old daughter of Robert McCray, while playing fell and broke her limb above the ankle.

Mr. I. H. Brettell and family returned last week from St. Edwards where they have been visiting for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Zinnecker left Monday to spend a week with their daughter Mrs. Isaac Janing at Geneva.

Mr. Frank Miles, now working at the carpenter trade at Humphrey, visited over Sunday with his parents in this city.

Miss Lizzie Hoffman left last Saturday evening for Ewing, Nebraska, for a two weeks visit amongst relatives and friends.

The many friends of Captain and Mrs. Hale, will be delighted to know that they are expected here about the tenth of September on a visit.

Mrs. Howard Clark has been confined to the house with a severe cold for a few days, but has now returned to the Clark farm where they are camping.

A party of twenty-four of the German Lutheran Society of the German Lutheran church held an enjoyable picnic at Julius Kluck's place ten miles east of town.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational church will give an ice cream social on the lawn at the home of E. E. Babcock. Everybody invited to come.

Mrs. C. S. Bancy entertained this week in honor of Mrs. C. W. Barkett and daughter, Mrs. C. F. Keelie and daughter from Lincoln and Mrs. A. K. Waldron from Schuyler.

A little three year old son of Adam Minnick, was shot in the head by the twelve year old son of Mr. Allison. The ball has not been extracted but the doctors think he will live. The shooting was entirely accidental, the Allison boy was shooting some chickens and did not see the Minnick boy.

Miss Julia Kuehnal visited over Sunday with relatives at St. Edward.

Mrs. Sarah Brindley returned Saturday from Arapahoe, where she has been doing Institute work.

Mr. Min Gillispie of Monroe, drove down last Friday with a wagon load of farm machinery for Earnest Cole, west of town.

C. F. Todenhoft, has treated the Meridian hotel to some finishing touches in the way of exterior painting and decorating that add much to its appearance.

Mrs. J. H. Randall and son Eddie returned Saturday after a sports visit to her sister, Mrs. C. H. Snodgrass, at Burlington, Iowa, and to relatives and friends at Oquawka, Ill.

Professor F. C. French and O. J. Fee, superintendent of grounds and buildings of the state university were in Columbus last Wednesday on business connected with the university.

Max Gotthberg bought a new gasoline traction engine last week to run his threshing machine. He traded his steam engine for it. This is the first gasoline traction engine in Platte county.

S. J. Kennedy and Aubrey Smith of St. Edward were in Columbus last Wednesday night on their way to the Congressional convention at Fremont. Aubrey Smith is the republican candidate for representative in Boone county.

On Tuesday afternoon of last week Mrs. A. Anderson entertained several lady friends who were the happy mothers of little ones, somewhere near the age of one year, the occasion being the first birthday of little Mary Elizabeth Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dack have been spending a few days with friends near Monroe and Platte Center. Mr. and Mrs. Dack have recently returned from California, and are delighting their Nebraska friends with the realization that they still have a longing for Nebraska and its people. They returned to Columbus on Friday.

Mrs. J. Frederick Kirkpatrick one of the earnest workers of "Leroy Lodge" Degree of Honor of Columbus has announced her candidacy for the Grand Receiver of Nebraska of the Degree of Honor. Mrs. Kirkpatrick received the hearty endorsement of Leroy Lodge and her many friends here and through Nebraska where she has hosts of friends are using every effort to land the office for her. Mrs. Kirkpatrick is thoroughly competent to fill the honored position.

The value of printers ink has been demonstrated very often in Columbus. The last demonstration was seen last week at the Columbus Bargain Store. A specialist was brought here to conduct a sale. He distributed 10,000 circulars and used the columns of the Journal. The sale continued for one week and the crowds were such that 45 clerks were unable at times to handle the people and the doors had to be locked on several occasions to keep the crowds out while the clerks went to meals. This demonstrates what printers ink judiciously used will do.

Mrs. Hans Elliott entertained sixteen young ladies Friday afternoon for her niece, Miss Helen Leitner. The girls were each asked to write a poem. Miss Helen Brugger won the prize, a spoon, a three course luncheon was served. In the evening the Misses Ethel Elliott and Meta Hensley entertained sixty young people for Mrs. Elliott's cousin, Miss Norine Heins. The porch and lawn were decorated with lanterns. Punch was served during the evening. In one room a number of articles were spread about and as the guests passed through the room they were to see who could remember the greatest number of articles. Miss Eloise Egan won the ladies prize a picture, and Mr. Gus Becker the men's prize a stein. Later sherbet and cake were served.

### Card of Thanks

To neighbors and friends, and to members of the various orders who were present and participated in the obsequies of our son and brother, Samuel M. Rector, we desire to express our sincere thanks for floral contributions, for the sympathy manifested and for many deeds of kindness.

MR. AND MRS. E. O. RECTOR AND SON.

## DIAMONDS

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Jeweler and Optician

Fifty years ago Mr. Meeker in the prime of his youth covered the old Oregon trail. He is now going over the same route in the same style as then.

Era Meeker, one of the few surviving pioneers who went to Oregon by way of the old overland trail, who is now making the return journey with an ox and cow team over the same route, arrived in Kearney this morning. Mr. Meeker started on his trip to Oregon, where he hoped to find a new home for himself and his young wife, from Indianapolis, Ind., in October, 1851. He was then 22 years of age. The return journey is taken for the purpose of perpetuating the memory of the "Old Oregon Trail," and erecting monuments, wherever possible, to the memory of the pioneers who crossed the plains and built an empire out of the wild and boundless West, and keep fresh the memory of their privation and hardships.

Mr. Meeker has stopped at several places along the way and erected eighteen monuments up to this day. Among the places at which the monuments have been erected are Baker City, Ore., Boise City, Idaho, and one at the summit of the Rocky mountains in Wyoming at what is known as the South pass. It is at an altitude of 7,450 feet above sea level, and within a short distance of where the waters of the Sweetwater river will lead across the mountains through the pass to be used in irrigating lands on the western side as a result of government enterprise. The region is as wild now as when Mr. Meeker first passed over the trail, only a few sheep herders living in the vicinity. There is a little postoffice called Pacific and the next nearest postoffice is eighty-four miles distant.

Mr. Meeker hopes to erect a monument in this city to the memory of the old Oregon trail. He has nothing to do with getting funds, the collection and disbursement of the fund being generally done by a local committee. He expects to find the exact location of the old trail near this city. Tuesday he located it just west of Overton.

On his first journey Mr. Meeker and his young wife wintered at Eddyville, Iowa. There their first child, Marion J. Meeker was born. He was seven weeks old when they started out on the trip in the spring and stood the journey in excellent shape. He is now a grandfather and resides near his father at Puyallup, Wash. In Iowa also, they trailed off their horses for an ox and cow team, and made their trip the rest of the distance with these animals.

The Missouri river was crossed about six miles south of where Omaha is now located, on May 19, 1852. Thirty or forty miles further they struck the Platte river, and continued to travel along the north side of this stream after wards, and later the Sweetwater river, which is the headwater of the Platte, until they reached the South pass.

Mr. Meeker was unfortunate last week, having lost one of his oxen by death, he has heard that there are some in Platte county and is anxious to purchase one and continue his journey. He will be in Columbus about August 28th. He is collecting material for a book on the overland trail which he expects to publish next winter and on account of his interviews with old pioneers along the old route, the book will undoubtedly be of great historical value.

The races at the State Fair, the first week in September, are well filled and will be hotly contested. There are several features which will be new, some of which are a Derby in which a goodly number of the best running horses of the state are already entered. A guileless pacer, named "Emma," from Evansville, Ind., will go twice, as also will another guileless pacer, "Dr. Tom" of Tecumseh, and a guileless trotter, "Suzanna," of St. Edward. These last two will be the contestants in a guileless race, which is something new in the racing line. Morphy, the man who sings to beat the band, will sing before the grand stand each afternoon.

Interesting Letter from Miss Elise Brugger.

Rome, August 3, 1906

Dear Mama and Helene:— I was so glad to get letters here in Rome, but I am always looking for more. We have been here in Rome since last Thursday night. The weeks fairly fly and I cannot realize that my trip is half over. I suppose you wonder how my clothes have been holding out. In the first place I'm glad I brought no more than I did, I have all that I could want, the people who have more are only bothered with the care of them.

I wear a blue veil to protect my eyes now. I've had laundry done three times and will probably not need any again. They do things beautifully but they are hard on them. Some people have such elaborate things but they do look so out of place.

I haven't done any shopping here in Rome but I have gone to all the programs. They have been having four lectures a day and I can't keep up with that. Some days when we are out both morning and afternoon I cut out all the lectures. But so long as I do that I keep feeling perfectly well and I'm glad to do that, so many people are under the weather in this southern climate.

We leave for Naples this afternoon and there the different parties separate again, some to sail home, some for Greece and some for Egypt. One of the Barber party, Miss Jones, has decided upon the Greece cruise. We hate so much to see her go, she is such a splendid girl, I'll miss her most because she and I stood together on so many things and stood alone. She was Breta's room mate.

Mr. Findley, one of the men we came across with, is going to Egypt, so last night we had a sort of a farewell flourish. He took Breta and Mrs. Heyl and me over to the Piazza Termae and there we sat on the balcony eating "cossalita" and iced. The orchestra was playing and the big fountain was beautiful in the moonlight. It was great fun. That is the way Romans spend their evenings, there are crowds at these restaurants until way after midnight. They turn night into day here. The moon is full now and the other evening we went over to the Colosseum to see it by moonlight. It is the romantic spot of Rome for visiting Americans and we saw interesting things beside the beauty of that mighty structure in the dim yellow light.

Sunday afternoon all the "Barbarians" took carriages and drove out on the Appine Way. It was a beautiful day and the Alban Hills were splendid in the sunlight. It was strange but delightful to drive along that old road lined with the ruins of once beautiful towns. The same road along which Paul came in chains to Rome, the little church "Quo Vadis" is along the way and we went in, I can't realize that these old prophets once looked on some of these walls that are standing today. It is interesting to read here in Rome the epistles Paul wrote from Rome when he was in prison here. There is a National C. E. Convention in Geneva now and last Sunday we had a C. E. Convention here at the hotel. We sent the Convention a telegram of greeting.

In the morning we went to high mass at the world famous St. Peter's. I love to wander around in those big churches and I was there for almost three hours. There is a bronze statue of St. Peter there and all devout Catholics who have visited St. Peter's for the last six centuries have kissed his toe and said a prayer, until now there isn't much of the toes left, I stood and watched the people doing this for a long time. We drove around in the Vatican yards and saw the vatican galleries, that huge building of 11,000 rooms representing a state by itself and a big machine. I tell you it makes one stop and wonder. There have been dozens of other things to see here and when I get home I can tell you better all about it.

The following taken from the State Journal will be of interest to the Columbus friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hunt. Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Hunt and three children met with a serious accident this afternoon, while enroute with the family horse and carriage for Clay Center. When about a mile south of the cemetery Mrs. Hunt raised her parasol, which frightened the horse, causing it to overturn the buggy. Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and the baby were thrown out, landing in a ditch partially filled with water. The horse started on the home stretch, with the two little boys in the back seat. After about half a mile they were thrown out, and a little farther on the horse came in contact with a telephone pole and was released from the buggy. Mr. Hunt was quite severely bruised about the head and shoulders. Mrs. Hunt received quite severe bruises about the body, but no bones were broken. The little boys escaped with only slight bruises and the baby was uninjured. Neighbors gathered the family up and brought them home, while medical assistance was dispatched to the scene, Mr. Hunt being for some time in a semi-conscious condition. He is in bed, but it is hoped no complications will arise.

George H. Metheny of Shelby, Neb., who has been visiting relatives the past week at Grand Island and Central City, stopped off on his return home for an over Sunday visit with his brother Dan.



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At a recent meeting of the Smith College Club, in New York, Mark Twain was the chief speaker, and told the audience of "a memory of my youth," that has remained with me all this time. When I was living in St. Louis with my mother, ninety-five years ago, when I was comparatively young, a lovely young creature of sixteen came to pay us a visit. When she entered a room, a general sweetened air was diffused. I was paralyzed. I wasn't really myself. I was diffident then. My mother suggested that I, being seventeen, show the sweet girl some attention, but I hadn't the courage. Take her to the theater, said my mother. So I took her thirteen blocks down-town on foot. I never had presence of mind in life until next day. Then I realized that I should have gone around twenty-six blocks. "We were wedged in the middle of a row of seats as long as this. During the first act I was comfortable with the joy of being there with her. But the second act was not so comfortable. I had my Sunday boots on. They were No. 6, and my size was No. 9. Thus the boots began to get very tight. At last I had to find some relief, and pushed one off a little. The heavenly change was so blissful that the other foot got more urgent. As one cannot linger on the verge of off to sole perfection, I pushed both off until they were dangling. Then there was nothing in the way of happiness, until the curtain went down for the last time, and the people rose and wanted to go right off. I was trying to get my boots on. I couldn't have got a hand in. I couldn't afford to leave the boots, and so I took them along—the boots on one arm and the girl on the other.

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Eggs—dozen.....	10 to 14
Spring.....	5
Hens.....	8
Roosters.....	5
Hogs.....	6.50



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