

O'NEILL CITY.

"Ranger" Visits That Lively Burg and Tells What He Saw There.

A Prosperous City With Lots of Enterprising and Successful Business Men.

Some of the Improvements Going On--Politics--Odds and Ends.

Correspondence of The Bee. O'NEILL CITY, NEB., October 5.—After leaving Neigh your correspondent had a long moonlight ride towards the northwest. The trains here are mixed (freight and passenger) so that the time made was slow enough to allow all the taking of the wayside notes. For the first few miles the corn was like a young grove and the yield must be immense, then hay stacks thickened and houses became scarce.

Gillespie, Antelope and Ford, young station towns, were passed and then came the wild prairie. The bluffs that heretofore lined the Elkhorn Valley were leveled into an almost imperceptible slope, the grass grew short the black top soil covered a stratum of coarse sand and cattle were found in corrals that held hundreds of them.

It is on a high plateau a hundred yards north of the box car depot that is now serving its purpose until the fine two-story depot can be finished. There are no sidewalks in O'Neill, and there is no hack, so through the slush we tramped. There is no mud here, and there never is any; the soil is not of that kind. The hotel was crowded to its utmost capacity; for O'Neill, although it has three hotels, is still in need of more. In the morning a survey of the land was made and the prospect was mixed, everyone was in a hurry. The streets were filled with people attired in every way that circumstances would allow. The cowboy, with jingling spurs, leather breeches and broad-brimmed, gold-bordered, white hat, the government mule Skinner trailed five yards behind him, and the farmer with patched overalls, and the business man with the customary suit of neutral hue, made up the picture. Women and children were not numerous, the houses were scattering and made no architectural pretensions. The surrounding plains were largely untamed by the plow, and mentally I said, "Ranger, old boy, you have brought your pigs to a bad market." About this time I met the original author of this settlement, Mr. Patrick Fahy, formerly of Lincoln, and he welcomed the representative of The Bee with that hearty good will characteristic of the true Irish gentleman. Then I called on the court house officials and found them busy with their respective duties, and calculating upon their chances in the democratic convention which was due that afternoon. "If ye are a republican paper, faith but ye are sound on the monopoly goose, and the wrongs of old Ireland, and that is more than I can say for Doc Miller and the dirty Republican, and if ye'll put my name on ye'r list I'll pay you for a year, and I guess ye'll find The Bee has many a friend in the city of O'Neill."

Thus the overture opened and the Irish heart and hand, and purse was open too and from morning till night I heard nothing but words of praise and encouragement from these noble pioneer Irishmen.

SUCCESS. There is not, it is claimed, any Irish colony in the United States that has met with so few discouragements or that has prospered so well from the very outset. True it is that standing in O'Neill one would think that he was surrounded by a wild uncultivated district, but if he goes half a mile northeast, where the top of the slope is reached, he will find in front of him miles of fine cottage and grove dotted prairie as the eye could wish to behold, and the waving corn with its golden ears beckons to the millions beyond the sea, and the breezes tell that the land is free.

Every store was crowded and every clerk and the proprietors busy in furnishing the people and taking in the money. Carpenters ripped and rapped with saw and hammer and one house that had no existence outside the lumber yard was finished and occupied in ten hours from the time that I saw the first corner brick laid. And yet in spite of all this every one was ready to snatch a few valuable moments, enough at least to subscribe for THE BEE, speak some words of kindly welcome and wish success to the paper, and when night came and work ceased, because there was no one that we had not called on, I was astonished to find that the rough and unpretentious frontier town had given a larger return in cash dollars than I had ever before received for one day's subscription work. Who says that an Irishman is ungrateful? Who says that he is prejudiced? Who says that he is bigoted? Who says that he does not read? If Dr. Miller or any other apologist for aristocrats, monopolists and oppressors says or intimates such things, it is reception of THE BEE stands as a refutation complete and ample. THE BEE was an advocate for the rights of Ireland, hence Irishmen were not ungrateful, but remembered it with their patronage. THE BEE is a republican newspaper, but the democratic Irishmen could patronize it, it being unprejudiced. THE BEE is owned and edited by those who differ in religious belief from the Irishmen, but, being without bigotry, they subscribe. Being a reading people, almost every head of a family subscribed for THE

THE BEE, knowing as they did that it was their friend and the best paper in Nebraska. The Republican, being a monopoly organ, has absolutely no friends in O'Neill; and the Herald, being a sympathizer with the landed aristocracy that oppresses Ireland, is in the same boat, and both papers can now discontinue the few copies they have heretofore sent to O'Neill. To Irishmen who would find a congenial home where people think the same thoughts, worship at the same shrine, and adhere to the same customs, I say go to O'Neill and get rich, as hundreds are now doing. The land is fertile, the pastures are boundless, the air is pure, the government is free, and the people are the best that the Celtic race can boast.

I would not have the reader think that all the people of Holt county are of O'Neill, but one of one nationality. On the contrary it is claimed that a majority of the people in this county are not Irish, and many business men of O'Neill are Americans or Germans. All are welcome, heartily welcome, whether they come singly or in colonies. To one and all the right hand is extended from Holt, a county larger than the State of Rhode Island, and one that may some day support a denser population.

A creamery is on the tapis. A branch of the U. P. Railway from Albion is reaching towards O'Neill and will grasp it ere long. The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad is graded twelve miles and right of way secured to Niobrara. Three thousand dollars were raised the other day in a few hours as a part of the amount to be invested in Catholic church that will be erected at once. The freight for Ft. Niobrara and the Red Cloud Agency is now shipped via O'Neill and after leaving the rail it is hauled in wagons to its destination.

THE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION was held while I was in town. Every precinct in the county was represented. The preliminary business Mr. J. Sullivan was unanimously nominated for the office of county commissioner. He is the present chairman of the board. Mr. M. D. Long was then nominated without a dissenting voice for the office of county treasurer. Mr. Baswell was honored with the clerkship; Mr. Hodgkins with the county superintendency, and Mr. Estep with the county surveyorship.

P. K. Van Valkenburg was made a candidate for county judge and Jas. Crowley was put in nomination for sheriff. The following resolutions were then introduced: Resolved 1. That in the death of James A. Gardfield this union of states has suffered a loss which seems almost irreparable. A great and good man, a faithful public servant, and one free from sectional bias, has been removed to that better home from whence no traveler returns. Be it further

Resolved 2. That the democratic party of Holt county in convention assembled sincerely sympathize with the family of our late illustrious president, statesman and citizen in their sore affliction. Be it Resolved 3. That the Holt county Record be requested to publish these resolutions as the sentiment of the democratic party of Holt county in convention assembled.

These resolutions were adopted by a rising vote every man standing solemnly for some seconds as if offering up a prayer for the repose of the noble general's soul. It was a scene that I never before witnessed in a political gathering. Both the republican and democratic tickets are said to be exceptionally good, and while I hope the republican ticket will win, still it is scarcely to be expected, and the names given above are probably the names of the future Holt county officials, and judging the men by a very brief view of their exterior I surmise that Holt county will not be in bad hands.

I cannot close this letter without returning thanks to Mr. Fahy, who so nobly assisted me, and may his farm, his colony, his town and his real estate business flourish as well as I wish them to.

When next I visit O'Neill I shall write a short history of the town and surrounding colonies. ODDS AND ENDS. J. G. Fritz is a new comer; his new flouring mill on the Elkhorn river has four runs of burrills, and he also runs a general merchandise store.

Cheney, Adams & Co., of Neigh have put up a nice building and started another bank here.

Brennan & McCafferty, have recently made a big addition to their hardware store, enlarging it one-half, and have added furniture to their stock.

Patrick Hagerty, the postmaster and general dealer, has so far held the post-office, although he is a democrat, and the post-office is a plum that many would like to pick; however, if the people's will has weight at Washington, Pat will continue to handle the mails. So, at least, your correspondent is informed.

For business review see advertising columns. RANGER.

Garfield's Never-Dying Example. From address of Charles Mackenzie of Dunlap (Iowa) Memorial. Man proposes but God disposes. Men die and are buried, but the example of their lives, the grand truths they illustrate in their being are immortal and eternal; marble monuments crumble and magnificent paintings fade; forms of government change; rivers change, but the eternal truth remains changeless; the eternal truth offered a sacrifice changes not; through countless ages has mankind worshiped dauntless courage, sublime fidelity, ceaseless devotion to truth and right, such as were possessed by the dead man of to-day; these have been worshiped in one form or another since the morning stars first sang together, and will forever last. As this great people grows greater and more numerous, and more powerful, brighter and still more bright will shine Garfield's example, and still more brilliant be the halo that surrounds his name; still greater and more profound the melancholy interest that attaches to his tomb. His memory, like the principles for which he died, shall be immortal; for These shall survive the empire of decay, When time is o'er and worlds have passed away; Cold in the dust the perished heart may be, But that which warmed it once can never die.

THE PARALUNE.

A Parisian Invention to Guard Beauty from the Rays of the Moon.

New York World.

The latest freak of fashion is the paralune. Visitors at the French beaches during the last summer were surprised at seeing many ladies, while wandering in little groups, on the sands under the moonlight, carrying their parasols, not rolled up and used as walking-sticks, but expanded over their heads as though to protect them from the rays of the moon. Great was the surprise to learn that they were not really parasols, but paralunes. The paralune, as its name indicates, performs a similar office to that of the parasol—the one guards against the sun, the other against the moon. The inventors of the paralune assert that the effect of the moon's rays on the complexion is very deleterious. The plumpest faces, they say, will grow thin, and the delicate peach bloom of the cheek will pale and become yellow of the moon's rays. Not alone will the face lose it, but it will also become dry and shriveled. The only device to prevent this is, of course, the paralune.

The paralune resembles the common parasol, except that it is covered with a thin, transparent silk gauze, of the color best suited to the wearer's complexion. Those most commonly used are pink, as the color lends a soft tint to the complexion, which loses its natural color under the pale light of the moon. The framework is light, as a wind has not the same fatal effect on the gauze as on a solid silk web. The handles are light and delicately carved. The casings are generally made of silk, similar in color to that of the paralune. They were high-priced last season, as but very few were made.

Dealers in fancy goods in this city have not as yet heard of this latest invention. Two or three of the leading importers had read about the article in the French papers, but their agents on the other side had not sent them any in their invoices, and it was the general opinion that the fashion had not as yet taken so firm a hold on the French world as to warrant its introduction in America. A member of a firm of importers told a World reporter yesterday that he had recently returned from Paris, where he had been making purchases for the fall trade. His attention had been called to an article about the paralune in one of the Parisian fashion journals, and he had examined it with great minuteness. He had not purchased any, as he considered it rather early to expend money for next summer's stock of goods. He said: "I expect they will be in great demand during the next season in France, but it will probably take another year before American ladies sport their paralunes at Newport and Long Branch. That they will become fashionable at the seaside I doubt, but I have the most sanguine hopes that they will be generally seen on our streets in the near future. The reason for my thinking so is the general adoption of the electric light in the streets, theatres, hotels, and restaurants. An interesting series of articles which appeared in The World a short time ago spoke of the deleterious effects of that light upon the complexion of some and the eyesight of all people. Now the paralune will be the very article for use at night when one will have to live in a perfect blaze of electricity. I shall await advice from Paris in order to see if the paralune becomes common in the streets there, and if it does, I shall not have the slightest hesitation in having a case of them sent to me. They will probably cost a good deal at first, while they are fashionable, and until some 'imported ones' are manufactured in the Bowery. When they come to be covered with mosquito netting and used by the shop-girls, fashionable ladies will probably forget that they were ever invented."

Replevin a Wife. Saginaw (Mich.) News. Recently Dell Wright, of Osage County, married a young daughter of A. M. Randolph. She claimed to have been forced into the marriage by Mr. Wright and his friends, and in less than an hour after the ceremony was performed the young bride struck out for her father's house, declaring that she would never live with him.

The husband sought legal advice from an attorney at Gaylord, who advised the husband to replevin the wayward wife. Accordingly the two men proceeded to a Justice of the Peace, where Andrews filled out the necessary blanks. The husband made oath to them, swearing, among other things that the young woman was of the value of \$100, and did not exceed that value, the proper goods, chattels and property of Dell Wright, the plaintiff in the suit; that she was unlawfully detained from his possession by A. M. Randolph, her father, and that said Dell Wright was then entitled to the possession of her; that the said woman had not been taken for any tax, assessment or fine, etc., according to the usual form for affidavits in the replevin of property.

The Justice issued his writ, and it was delivered to the sheriff of the county, who at once proceeded to the father's house, where he found the "chattel" described in his writ of replevin. The officer commanded Mr. Randolph in the name of the County of Osage, Mich., by virtue of the office of Under Sheriff thereof, to surrender the wife of Dell Wright. After considerable remonstrance on the part of the wife and her father, the officer seized "the property named," and daily delivered to Mr. Wright, twenty miles distant from where he made the seizure and received his fees amounting to \$18. Whereupon Mrs. Wright informed her father that she was freeborn and half white, and was going home, and started again for her father's house on foot; she was recaptured on the way by the officer, but managed again to escape, and finally reached her father's house once more. Not contented with her escape, she has employed Messrs. Holden & Kendrick, of this city, to sue the Under Sheriff, Justice and attorney for \$15,000 damages.

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