

SHENANDOAH.

An Entertaining and Handsome Little City.

Interesting History of the Growth of the Town.

Bustling Business Men Among its Citizens.

Correspondence of THE BEE. SHENANDOAH, Iowa, October 29.—Shenandoah occupies a portion of one of the western sections of Grant township in Page county, and has a gentle western slope and its site commands a magnificent view of the Nishnabotna river for several miles.

HISTORY. The town was founded on the 6th day of August, 1870, the first house built in the town having been completed on that day.

The pioneer store was the hardware establishment of J. H. Shugart & Co., which opened on the 10th day of October following. Two lumber offices were started in August, and in September the following year W. E. Webster established the first drug store, and S. P. Carpenter erected what was at that time the finest hotel in Page county—the Shenandoah House.

The first MUNICIPAL ELECTION in the town occurred on the 23d of August, 1871. The entire number of votes cast was sixty-six. Mr. J. H. Shugart was then elected mayor. On the 23d day of July, 1871, the infant town donned its swaddling clothes and came forth fully fledged and christened as an independent corporation by the beautiful and significant name of Shenandoah—"daughter of the stars." At this time the first railroad was completed, running from Red Oak to Hamburg, and gave emphasis to the town. The

SCHOOLS. of Shenandoah belonged to the system of Grant township until 1872, when the independent district of the city was organized. The present brick structure was erected at a cost of \$3,040 in 1873. It soon became necessary to enlarge the building, which was done by adding two wings, also of brick, at an additional of \$700, and now is the finest building in the county, with a single exception. The attendance now is upward of

FIVE HUNDRED SCHOLARS, requiring a corps of teachers. Since the early growth of the town there has been built six substantial churches that are having a large attendance.

A flourishing lodge of the Masonic order and of the L. O. E. F. and G. A. R. are here represented. The town has grown to a population of 2,000 in the first ten years of her existence, and building is the order of the day.

I am informed that there have been built within one year

SEVENTY-FIVE DWELLINGS, and there are none of them vacant. Beside a new brick opera house, 50x90 feet on the ground, is under construction, with two stories underneath; also two brick stores, two stories high and 24x60 feet on the ground, and a new brick hotel building, 24x40, and three stores high, are soon to be finished.

The streets are lined with good plank sidewalks, and the city has planked the street some eight feet back from the hitching posts, so the teams are not compelled to stand in the mud and spatter the pedestrian or the store windows with dirty water.

THE CEMETERY was platted and recorded in the early years of the township. It occupies about twelve acres of ground east of town and is circular in form except the north side, which borders in the bluffs. The whole area is fenced, and on the outside borders are two rows of trees extending the entire distance around, making a beautiful show. The grounds are systematically laid out in circles, with lots and walks regularly alternating.

COURTESY. I wish to express many thanks to the people of Shenandoah for their kind attention and favors rendered, and particularly to Mr. Jack Shugart, who so cheerfully escorted your correspondent about the town. Jake is the "am.ke stack" of the Iowa Home insurance company, another one of Shenandoah's new enterprises. It is through him that the whole business is ventilated, for they do say that he can write up more insurance policies than any man now on the turf. May success ever crown his labors.

RAILROADS. Shenandoah has a branch of the C. B. & Q., and the main line of the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific, with another projected road that will be completed this winter from Shenandoah to Humeston, and a charter has been granted for two more branches of the Wabash that will have a terminus here; one of them reaches to Lincoln, Neb., via Nebraska City. With these facilities for traffic there can be nothing to retard the

PROGRESS of the town, which has advanced very rapidly in the last two or three years. Every branch of industry is here represented; the numerous stores are well filled with goods, and the town is usually aglow with commercial men, who know where they can sell goods, and they find it to their advantage to come this way. The country around is fast becoming settled, and trade is constantly increasing.

MANUFACTURING. A flouring mill and a foundry and machine shop comprise this branch of industry. Mr. M. Oppenheimer, who is running the latter, has a brick foundry room 24x50 feet, one story high, and a machine shop adjoining, 20x40 feet, fitted up with machinery calculated to make any kind of milling machinery or engine work. He has also a planing mill and scroll saws for dressing wood.

CROPS. There has been expected at least half or two-thirds of a crop in this

section for this uncommonly dry and hot season, but Messrs. A. Burr & Co., the millers and grain dealers, inform me that since harvest has begun that it is found to be far short of the expectation. The corn crop will be principally consumed by feeders, and little or none will be shipped east. Some two hundred loads have been sold to feeders in Missouri, and the home demand exceeds the supply by thirty car loads now booked. Mr. Z. D. Mathews has five grain elevators at different points in this vicinity, and confirms this statement.

BLOODED STOCK. Considerable interest is being taken in improving the native breeds of stock in Page county, in fact the people here are acting in the old adage of "what is worth doing is worth doing well" and the whole county is showing it. Mr. H. S. Wolf has a 410 acre farm and is devoting his entire attention to breeding and growing fancy cattle, horses, hogs, poultry and dogs. He has now some forty head of

SHORT HORNS, with two three-year old bulls at the head, a Bates and a rose of Sharon, the noted prize winner. Among his stock of driving horses may be found a "Gen. Sprague," one of "Geo. Sprague's" colts. Col. Babcock says he is the best colt of "George's" got that he has seen. Mr. W. also has some fair specimens of fancy poultry and breeds fox hounds and Scotch collie dogs and says he has some of the best.

CHESTERWHITE HOGS. The hog product of this county is registered among the best, and Shenandoah has sent away about as many as any competing town. There are some Jersey and Holstein cattle bred in this vicinity. It is evident that Page county is destined to rank among the first in the growing of the agricultural products, as she has the advantages necessary to do it, viz: A genial climate, and an alluvial soil, naturally, together with quick access to market, and an

ENTERPRISING PEOPLE to push it. I cannot close without noting the improvement in the system of keeping the new "only hotel in the city" which has recently changed hands, and become thoroughly renovated, and is, in short, a home-like and commodious place to stop, and "Goung" knows how to "rush the kitchen" to the entire satisfaction of the most fastidious.

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ONE DE GROAT ACQUITTED.

The Jury Out Only a Half Hour.

Sensational Scene in Court Upon the Rendering of the Verdict.

The argument in the case of Ben. S. DeGroat, on trial under an indictment for arson, for the burning of Chas. De Groat & Co.'s hat store, was concluded about four o'clock Saturday afternoon.

The charge of the judge was not long and the jury retired, it being expected they would be out until late at night. Contrary, however, to all anticipation, in about half an hour it was announced that they had agreed upon a verdict. When they came in the court room was only occupied by a few attorneys and the prisoner and his brother. After calling the names of the jurymen the clerk said: "Gentlemen, have you agreed upon your verdict?" The foreman responded: "We have. We find the prisoner not guilty."

Ben DeGroat had partly risen from his chair and was looking with staring eyes at the jury, when the verdict was pronounced. As he heard it he fell back, the tears rolled down his cheeks, and then he fainted away. He was immediately carried from the court room and restored. His brother, Charles DeGroat, seemed hardly less affected.

The case was a very hard fought one from its beginning, and splendidly tried on both sides. District Attorney Burnham was assisted in the prosecution by Hon. J. M. Thurston and E. W. Simeral, Esq. Gen. J. C. Cowin and Joseph P. Clarkson, Esq., conducted the able defense. One feature of the trial was the meretricious examination to which Cowin subjected the witnesses for the state.

The most important of the criminal cases still upon the docket is the trial of Charles Neistrom, indicted for the murder of John Peterson, alias William. The facts relating to this case are substantially as follows: Peterson and Neistrom worked in shops which adjoined, on Sixteenth street. On the third of last August, Peterson was in Neistrom's shop, when a quarrel arose between them. It is alleged that Neistrom knocked Peterson down and then kicked him. Peterson died on August 7th. At the coroner's investigation the jury found that the deceased came to his death from causes unknown.

District Attorney Burnham, not satisfied with this verdict, had Neistrom arrested, and at the examination before Judge Remocke he was held to answer to the charge of murder in the first degree, on which charge he will be tried.

Another case is that of one Tracy and Rose York—the latter a notorious woman—for an alleged robbery of Peter Peterson. The complaint alleges that the York woman enticed Peterson into her room, on Twelfth street in this city, when Tracy rushed in, pretended to be the injured husband, and compelled Peterson to give up his watch and about \$50 in money. Peterson afterwards made complaint against the parties, and they were indicted at the present term of court.

Palpitation of the Heart. J. M. Micht, Syracuse, N. Y., writes: "When I first commenced using your Burdock Blood Bitters I was troubled with fluttering and palpitation of the heart. I felt weak and languid, with a numbness of the limbs. Since using, my heart has not troubled me and the numbness sensation is all gone." Price, \$1; trial size, 10 cents.

SILVER CITY.

What it Was Four Years Ago.

And What it has Become Today.

The Surrounding Country Fertile And Rich.

Correspondence of THE BEE.

SILVER CITY, October 29.—Four years ago the city of silver and gold (in corn eriba) was a waving field of barley owned by Mr. H. H. Huffaker, who came here twelve years ago and took possession of 300 acres of land that his father had bought three years before at \$19.50 per acre, and used it for a stock farm. The original old farm house now stands back from the main street, looking as though it felt embarrassed when compared with the modern structures, and quietly trying to hide itself among the tall grove that surrounds it.

HISTORY. The railroad opened up this country in the summer of '79, and in the fall of the same year the town site was laid out by Mr. Huffaker, who sold one-half of the land to the railroad company and named the town Silver City, which was derived from the Silver Creek running close by, and affording splendid water power, which is spoiling to be utilized.

The postoffice was opened in July, 1879, and one year after a money-order department was assigned which has since issued 1,017 orders, amounting to \$21,000. The village has made a rapid

GROWTH since it commenced and now has upwards of 300 happy souls—yes, I know they are happy—and there is room for as many more without being crowded. Village lots are on the market at less than their real value, and this is one reason why the town has prospered so well. A petition for incorporating the village has been laid before the circuit court, which will meet and act on the matter in November next. This is one of the many

IMPROVEMENTS that are seen on every hand. One new store and thirteen new houses have been built this summer, and a new Methodist church, 32x55 feet on the ground, with a tower 70 feet high, is to be put up yet this year, costing \$2,500, \$1,850 of the amount having already been subscribed. A

CITY PARK, containing our square and planted with ornamental trees and laid off with gravel walks, is contemplated. Mr. J. W. Sale intends to open a new store this winter and he knows how to run one too. Good luck to J. W. Messrs. L. W. Russell & Co. have had such an increasing trade in their hardware store that they have found it necessary to enlarge their building, which will be done in the spring.

CROPS. Mills county is found among the list of the best for agricultural purposes, though the crops this year are not more than one-half that usually grown, but she will, I think, hold her own. There are upwards of 100,000 bushels of bright corn in crib here now, and I am informed that Silver City shipped more grain last season than did Council Bluffs, Glenwood and Malvern combined.

WANTS. A furniture store is needed. There is none here, and people are obliged to go out of town for goods. A good hotel is also needed to accommodate the demands of the public, and should be considered by some interested in the business. A flouring mill is the cry of the people, and a tin shop is called for every day.

STOCK. Over two hundred car-loads of hogs have been shipped January 1st. Mr. Huffaker has surrounded the city with his lands and now has 1,940 acres in all, which he uses for stock-growing purposes. The farmers in this vicinity have learned that cattle and hogs are king, and have devoted most of their attention to them.

I could but gaze at the long and well filled corn cribs that border on the suburbs. They look as though they would defy a famine for years, if necessary, and show a marked degree of industry on the part of the people, and are conclusive evidences that a country that can produce a town of this kind in two or three years, with so much surplus grain in store, must be a country worth having, and one that does really possess the element necessary to prosperity and comforts Long may she prosper.

Mias C. G. Greenwood & Co. dealers in lumber and grain have recently come from the northern part of the state, and are informed that they find the quality of the grain grown here to be, for some reason, far superior to that grown north of here. It is considered by many that the growing of kinds of fruit will prove as successful in Mills county as it has in counties bordering on the south. The soil and climate seems to be as well adapted to the growth of fruit here as it is fifty miles south.

Farmers lands are under so good a state of cultivation that they can be readily sold for from \$25 to \$40 per acre, and still climbing up the scale of perfection. The day is not far distant when land in this county will be hard to get at any price.

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Before removing to their new OPERA HOUSE STORE Will sell their stock of BOOTS & SHOES At Greatly Reduced Prices.

The Democratic Candidate for County Treasurer. A CORRECTED AFFIDAVIT OF MRS. LINA PETERS.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss. DOUGLAS COUNTY, ss. Mrs. Lina Peters being first duly sworn deposes and says, she is well acquainted with one Chris. Hartman, and that on or about the 31st of May 1877, said Chris. Hartman then being the city treasurer of Omaha, she presented to said Hartman as such treasurer, by John F. Kuhn, a city warrant amounting to \$25.00 principle, besides interest for over two years on the same. Affiant says said warrant was for work done on the Dodge street grade, and affiant says that said warrant was not worth much, would not be paid in seven or eight years. Affiant says she had her taxes paid on the above said date, and supposed to put said warrant in as cash. Affiant further says, that shortly afterwards the said Hartman came to her harness store on Farnham street, and offered her that he would get a man to buy said warrant, thereupon said Hartman himself paid affiant the sum of \$12.00 for said warrant. Affiant further says, that shortly afterwards she was verbally informed that said warrant had been paid in full. Affiant further says she sold said warrant for \$12.00, relying entirely upon the false and fraudulent representation of said Chris. Hartman. Affiant says she was then, and is now a widow.

This affidavit is given to correct some error in the affidavit, sworn to on the 18th day of October, 1881, before me by said Mrs. Lina Peters, a justice of the peace, and been heretofore published in THE OMAHA BEE and Republican.

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 26th day of October, 1881. JOHN MURCHIE CLARKE, Notary Public.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss. DOUGLAS COUNTY, ss. John F. Kuhn being first duly sworn, deposes and says, that he has read the foregoing affidavit of Mrs. Lina Peters, and that the statements therein made are true as he verily believes.

JOHN F. KUHN, Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 26th day of October, 1881. JOHN MURCHIE CLARKE, Notary Public.

Denial of the Peters Affidavit. STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss. DOUGLAS COUNTY, ss. Samuel G. Mallette being first duly sworn deposes and says, that he is city treasurer of Omaha, and that his attention has been called to the affidavit of Mrs. Lina Peters, published in the Omaha Daily Republican, in which she swears that she, on or about July 1st, 1877, sold to Chris. Hartman, then city treasurer, for the sum of \$12.00, a Dodge street grade warrant, which was in that same month paid in full, to-wit: the sum of \$25.00.

Affiant further says that he has examined the books and receipts of the city treasurer's office, and that they show: 1st, that no Dodge street grade fund warrant for any amount whatever was paid in July, 1877, 2d, that but one Dodge street grade fund warrant for the amount of \$25.00 was paid in the three years 1876, 1877 and 1878, and that that one was paid in July, 1876, having been turned in for taxes by John G. Willis, and endorsed by him, he having paid at that time the tax on his Dodge street store lot.

S. G. MALLETT, City Treasurer. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 19th day of October, 1881. G. W. AMBROSIE, Notary Public.

STATE OF NEBRASKA, ss. COUNTY OF DOUGLAS, ss. Chris. Hartman being duly sworn, in answer to the affidavit of Mrs. Peters, says: That during his term of office as city treasurer of Omaha, from April, 1875 to April, 1878, he did not buy any warrant whatever of Mrs. Peters, or of any other person, and that he did not speculate in warrants, directly or indirectly, during his said term. Affiant further says, that if he cashed any warrant for Mrs. Peters, it was at its full face value, and for the facts relating to the Dodge street grade tax warrants, begs leave to refer to the accompanying affidavit of S. G. Mallette, city treasurer.

G. W. AMBROSIE, City Treasurer. Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 20th day of October, 1881. G. W. AMBROSIE, Notary Public.

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