

STROMSBURG.

A Lively, Pushing People and Progressive Town.

Matrimonial and Farmers' Alliances.

Correspondence of The Bee.

STROMSBURG, Neb., December 17.—Our streets are presenting a lively appearance, and our merchants are wearing broad smiles and a look of contentment which can only be seen in the countenance of a prosperous business man.

New houses are continually being erected and our mechanics are busy, and from present appearances there will be no let up of the improvements in our burg unless the cold weather will interfere, which, from present appearances, will not likely be the case.

A wedding in high life is now creating a sensation in our village, and the affair is looked forward to with considerable interest by those who are among the select to be present on the occasion.

Christmas eve in which there are a number of valuable articles are to be raffled for. Among the most valuable are a fine horse, valued at \$100; gold watch, \$70; parlor organ and silver tea set, \$50; Bros. make.

Politically, Polk county is not asleep by any means. The anti-monopoly element is growing daily, the alliances throughout the county are taking hold with renewed energy and are holding frequent meetings, with a good turnout of farmers.

Farmers who have been somewhat backward in taking hold of the movement heretofore are now coming forward and placing their shoulders to the wheels of the anti-monopoly movement and the probabilities are that Polk county will be represented at the special meeting of the State Farmers' Alliance with a full delegation of representative farmers.

In view of the fact that there is at present a general revival of interest in everything pertaining to the dairy and its products, the following from a recent exchange will be interesting to butter makers:

The American trotter is of recent origin, and during the lifetime of comparatively young men now living has reduced the record from 2:30 to about 2:10 per mile, or nearly twenty seconds, or, as our business men would say, over 8 per cent.

The best yearly butter record is of Eurotas 2,454, owned by A. B. Darling, of Ramsey, N. J. During the test of Eurotas 2,454, which occupied eleven months and six days (ending Oct. 15, 1880), she made 778 pounds of butter from 7,325 pounds of milk—averaging 1 pound of butter from less than 10 pounds of milk.

during the trial an average of eighteen quarts of milk per day. The best weekly yields of the above named cows have been exceeded by Jersey Belle of Scranton 7,828, now dead. This cow has a well-authenticated record of twenty-five pounds and two ounces in one week. The three cows above named have the best yearly, monthly and weekly butter records and we confidently expect, at no late date, that the records will be improved. Performances, and not fancy points are the essential matters that attract the attention of the practical Jersey breeder of the day, who first inquires as to the number of feet to twenty pound cows in the pedigree of the sire or dam that he wishes to purchase.

Blair Briefs.

Noble Bros. have opened out a fine grocery store. They are lately from Ottawa, Iowa, and come here well recommended.

E. J. Farr has resigned his position in the postoffice. H. E. Wilson will be his successor. Mr. Farr has been in the postoffice here for some time and given good satisfaction.

Your correspondent made a flying trip to Herman on last Thursday. At Mead station or Hyland as it has lately been named, we noticed unusual activity for so small a place. There, on one high point of ground or bluff, the Hon. Giles Mead holds forth, and right across the hollow to the north is another equally high bluff, besides the irrepressible "Flicker."

Herman also presented a scene of activity. Chas. Selleck and F. F. Burdick are being a large number of hogs and shipping them to the Omaha market.

J. M. Bradford sells piles of lumber and Bill Dorrell buys all of the grain in the surrounding county. Dr. S. L. Dart has recently opened a drug store.

Colorado Rattlers. Youth's Companion. The knid found on the Colorado plains is mottled and a grayish tint—so nearly the color of the cactus and the grass (which never takes on a vivid green) that a person might pass very near one and not see it, did it not sound its warning rattle.

It is not safe in this region to go into the garden and put one's hand carelessly among the plants to gather peas or beans, or to pull potato vines, for under just such plants his snakeish delights to take a nap on sultry days.

The reptile creeps into cellars, under boards, and in general watchfulness is always in order. The harvesters must keep a sharp lookout for this deadly enemy. When the stacks of hay are removed it is no uncommon thing to find snakes under them, or to hear the sharp, defiant rattle as a bunch of grain is tossed on the load. The feelings of the man upon the rack on which the unwelcome visitor has been landed can be imagined.

Bradford, Pa., writes: "I enclose money for Spring Blossom, as I said I would if it cured me. My dyspepsia has vanished, with all its symptoms. May I thank you for the bottle without it in the house." Price 50 cents, trial bottles 10 cents.

SHAVE ME!

A Lady Customer Appears in a Chicago Barber Shop.

A rather unusual scene was presented Saturday evening at a barber shop near Farwell hall. It was about 8 o'clock. All the chairs were filled but one, when suddenly in popped a lady, and, with the coolness of a cucumber or a Laplander, flung herself into the vacant chair.

Without paying attention to the sensation and some giggling which ensued, this novel customer stretched her feet in the orthodox fashion on the high stool under the mirror, and, with a voice like oleomargarine (more remarkable for strength than sweetness), she said or sung, "Shave me!"

The barber, who was a second's duration only, and was of the kind which is sometimes said to be felt, and then a roar of laughter issued from twenty male throats, which shook the chandeliers and rattled the mugs on the shelves.

Removing a Derby felt-hat, such as ladies often wear now-a-days ("a fashion honored more in the breach than in the observance"), and with her head tilted back on the towel at the head of the chair, with her dimpled chin on a level with the toes of her shoes, she once more shrieked, "Shave me!"

Meantime, finding that no one came to shave her, the lady shaver bounced from the chair, and, straightening her dress and her long gray ulster, she marched up to Mr. D., the proprietor, and shook her fist in his face, manacledly.

"That'll do, sir," she interrupted; "I want to be treated as a lady. My name is Mrs. Mary McCann, and I am well known in this city." Moving a little closer to the mirror, she asked threateningly, "Did you ever know me to behave in an un ladylike manner?"

"Oh, how I do wish my skin was as clear and soft as yours," said a lady to her friend. "You can easily make it so," answered the friend, "by using Hay Bitters, that makes pure, rich blood and blooming health. It did it for me, as you observe." Read of it.—Cairo Bulletin. Dec 15-Jan 1.

There are in the world over 200,000 miles of railroad, nearly one-half of which, or 86,000 miles, are in the United States. Europe has nearly 100,000, and the remainder of the world about 25,000. There are, however, more miles of railroad to every square mile in the United States than there are in Europe.

STOP THAT COUGH. If you are suffering from a Cough, Cold, Asthma, Bronchitis, Hay Fever, Consumption, loss of voice, tickling of the throat, or any affection of the Throat or Lungs, use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. This is the great remedy that is causing so much excitement by its wonderful cures, curing thousands of hopeless cases. Over a million bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery have been used with perfect satisfaction in every instance.

DISEASES OF THE EYE & EAR. DR. L. B. GRADY, Oculist and Aurist, LATE CLINICAL ASSISTANT IN ROYAL LONDON OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL.

Burdock Blood Bitters. A medicine for various ailments, including blood purification and general health improvement.

Mrs. J. G. Robertson, Pittsburg, Pa., writes: "I was suffering from general debility, want of appetite, constipation, etc., so that life was a burden; after using Burdock Blood Bitters I felt better than for years. I cannot praise your Bitters too much."

R. Gibbs, of Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "Your Burdock Blood Bitters, in chronic diseases of the blood, liver, and kidneys, have been signally marked with success. I have used them myself with best results, for torpidity of the liver, and in case of a friend, and am suffering from dropsy, the effect was marvellous."

Bruce Turner, Rochester, N. Y., writes: "I have been subject to serious disorder of the kidneys, and unable to attend to business; Burdock Blood Bitters relieved me before half a bottle was used. I feel confident that they will entirely cure me."

E. Southwell Hall, Birmingham, N. Y., writes: "I suffered with a dull pain through my left eye and shoulder. Last night my spirits, appetite and color, and could with difficulty keep up all day. Took your Burdock Blood Bitters as directed, and have felt no pain since first week after using them."

Mr. Noah Bates, Elmira, N. Y., writes: "About four years ago I had an attack of bilious fever, and never fully recovered. My digestive organs were weakened, and I would be completely prostrated for days. After using two bottles of your Burdock Blood Bitters the improvement was so great that I was astonished. I am now, though 61 years of age, do a fair and reasonable day's work."

Blacket Robinson, proprietor of The Canada Presbyterian, Toronto, Ont., writes: "For years I suffered greatly from oft-recurring headaches, and for a year. I used your Burdock Blood Bitters with happy results, and I now find myself in better health than for years past."

Mrs. Wallace, Buffalo, N. Y., writes: "I have been subject to nervous and neuralgic headaches, and can recommend it to anyone requiring a cure for biliousness."

Mrs. Ira Mulholland, Albany, N. Y., writes: "For several years I have suffered from oft-recurring bilious headaches, and my system was peculiarly to my sex. Since using your Burdock Blood Bitters I am entirely relieved."

FOSTER, MILBURN, & Co., Props. BUFFALO, N. Y. Sold at wholesale by Ish & McMahon and C. F. Goodman.

Hostettler's Bitters. A medicine for stomach and digestive issues, featuring a detailed anatomical illustration of the stomach.

In Hosts of Families. Hostettler's Stomach Bitters is much regarded as a household necessity as sugar or coffee. The reason of this is that years of experience have proved it to be perfectly reliable in those cases of indigestion, whose prompt and convenient remedy is demanded. Constipation, liver complaint, dyspepsia, indigestion and other troubles are overcome by it.

Chicago & Burlington Bitters. A medicine for various ailments, including blood purification and general health improvement.

No Changing Cars. OMAHA & CHICAGO. Where direct connection are made with THROUGH SLEEPING CAR LINES for NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, AND ALL EASTERN CITIES.

For ST. LOUIS, SOUTH. NEW LINE FOR DES MOINES. THE FAVORITE ROUTE FOR Rock Island.

Gray's Specific Medicine. A medicine for various ailments, including blood purification and general health improvement.

Pile! Pile! Pile! A Sure Cure Found at Last! No One Need Suffer! A sure cure for Pile, Hemorrhoid, itching and Ulcerated Piles has been discovered by Dr. Williams' Indian Ointment.

Kennedy's East-India Bitters. A medicine for various ailments, including blood purification and general health improvement.

To Nervous Sufferers. THE GREAT EUROPEAN REMEDY. Dr. J. B. Simpson's Specific MEDICINE.

Dr. J. B. Simpson's Specific MEDICINE. It is a positive cure for Spermatorrhea, Remittent Weakness, Impotency, and all diseases resulting from Self-Abuse, as Mental Anxiety, Loss of Memory, Pains in the Back or Side, and diseases that lead to the consumption of the system.

Max Meyer & Co. Guns and Sporting Goods. A store specializing in firearms and outdoor equipment.

Max Meyer & Co. Tobaccoconists. A store specializing in cigars and tobacco products.

Chicago & North-Western R.R. A railway line connecting Chicago and the West, offering various services and routes.

The Imperial Palace Dining Cars. A dining service for the Chicago & North-Western Railway, offering high-quality meals and service.

Invitation to All Who Have Watches and Clocks. A notice regarding the repair and engraving of timepieces.

State Fair. A notice regarding the State Fair, highlighting the quality of goods and the competitive nature of the event.

Hubermann, The Reliable Jeweler. A notice regarding jewelry services and the quality of work provided.

F. C. Morgan. Wholesale Grocer. A notice regarding grocery supplies and wholesale services.

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