

STATE JOTTINGS.

Prarie chickens are ripening. Five book agents paralyzed Fairmont last week. One case of small-pox has developed at Columbus. Pierce county has \$8,000 cash on hand and doesn't owe a dollar. The Schuyler creamery shipped 6,000 pounds of butter to Leadville on the 1st.

Mr. H. H. West, of Grand Island, has returned from the Utah hot springs much improved in health. Wm. Duceon, an old timer of Johnson county, now of Colorado, is back to Nebraska visiting old friends and places. A large number of the young friends of Miss Nellie Morse, of Clarksville, gave her a sweet surprise on the 29th.

The Fremont school board has elected Prof. Clarendon as superintendent of the city schools for the coming year. Mrs. J. I. Robinson, of Albion, has resigned the appointment as postal clerk at the R. & M. from Hastings to Culbertson. Dr. DeBell entered upon the discharge of his duties as physician at the Omaha and Winnebago agency on the first of the month.

County Treasurer Bollman and wife, of Albion, left on July 2d for a family reunion in Kansas, to be absent perhaps a fortnight. Charley Washburne, formerly mayor of Grand Island, who has been a citizen of Colorado for some months, came back to his old haunts last week on a visit. Mrs. J. B. Witter, of Fairmont, was pleasantly surprised by a visit of her friends on the 29th ult., and received numerous gifts in remembrance of her fiftieth birthday.

Miss Mamie and Bertie Dunbar, of Weeping Water, have returned from their vacation at the Hot Springs, and will henceforth live in the village with the lacustrine composure. The local paper says they will be a large addition to social circles. Master Willie Powers and Miss Jessie Whitmore, of Dakota City, celebrated the fourth at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Whitmore by giving a birthday party to which many of the little people of the town were invited. All present had a good time.

County Clerk MacColl, of Dawson, was here on the 29th ult. He recently changed the combination of the big safe in his office, and just before starting for Omaha placed the figures for safety inside the safe. Then he forgot to put the key in the lock, and had to send to Omaha for an expert to open the big iron box. Quite a party of young folks assembled at the residence of Mr. James Smith last Thursday night, in honor of the twelfth anniversary of the birthday of Miss Mary.

County commissioners at their meeting on June 26th ordered that notice be served on the C. St. P. & M. D. railroad company and the Western Union Telegraph company to show cause why the said railroad and telegraph line on the Omaha and Winnebago reservation should not be placed on the assessment rolls and tax lists for the years 1881 and 1882 of Dakota county, said hearing to be had July 17, 1882. The last part of this fish story, from the West Point Republican, takes the cake. "Olive Doddered is proud over the achievement of having captured a 71-pound cat-fish in the mill race on the 4th. Little Frank Herold got one that tipped the beam at 74 pounds. The boys were able to secure these monsters with the funny trile in consequence of the water having been let out of the race. In the shallow water they mounted upon their backs and piloted them to the mill race.

Week before last Mr. Samuel Chandler, living on Sweet creek, fifteen miles north of Shelton, caught a water turtle weighing 28 pounds, dressed length around the shell, three feet and eight inches from nose to tip of tail, two feet and six inches circumference around the neck, ten inches circumference around the foreleg, seven and a half inches across the back shell fourteen inches. Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. and Miss Post cooked the turtle and invited in the neighbors, and eighteen persons dined and feasted on the turtle, and still there was turtle left. Mr. Chandler says that when he was cleaning the turtle that it smelt like stale cod fish, but after it was cooked it tasted like a fine chicken. It is very seldom that a turtle of this size is found in this section of Nebraska. Mr. Chandler captured the turtle with a pitchfork, and says the turtle fought hard and did come. -Shelton Clipper.

A North Bend man has a cow that stands six feet high. The Columbus creamery goes into Merrick county for the manufacture of barbed wire is to be started up at Pawnee City. Thieves went through a Tecumseh butcher shop the other night and got away with sixty pounds of bologna. Morris Bros., of Plattsmouth, are erecting elevators at Utica, Bradshaw, Hampton and Marquette. A Beatrice undertaker advertises to sell coffins as cheap as anybody else and throw in the use of the hearse free. Near De Witt on the Fourth, a well born man North was killed by a blow from a lever of his machine. A McCook banker says that the tone of the concern for the three days ending July 1st amounted to twenty cents. It said the B. & M. railroad company have already sold \$30,000 worth of iron. McCook, the new division point on their road. The Gage county commissioners have decided to build a wagon to the water tank at Beatrice, for the better accommodation of the county officers. A Falls City firm last week received \$8.20 a hundred for three carloads of hogs - the highest price ever paid in this county. G. W. Baldwin, of Kenosaw, was arrested on the 1st for incest and placed under \$25 bonds. Feeling sure of twenty years in the pen, if he stayed for trial, he smothered his ball. A four-year old son of J. H. Brown, of North Bend, fell out of a boat on the 1st and was drowned. His father was near at the time, but lost his wife and was powerless to save the child. Joseph Becker, a farmer living two miles north of West Mills, while seining with a party of neighbors in the Bluse on the Fourth, was drowned. He was one of Seward county's best farmers, and leaves a wife and two children. Edward Hodgson's two little girls were drawing a bucket of water from a well at Hastings on the 29th ult., when they let go the windlass, which revolved rapidly, breaking the arm of one and cutting a severe gash in the head of the other. The barn of David Doty, four miles west of Hastings, was struck by lightning on the 29th ult., and burned, a couple of horses and a large amount of machinery being destroyed. The barn, by the way, was well rodded. George P. Winterstein, county clerk, met with a severe accident at Geneva on the Fourth. A small run had been made of iron tubing, and it was charged heavily and rammed down with great force. Mr. Winterstein touched it off, when it exploded, two fragments of lead entering his thigh, ranging inward and downward, and lodging, it is supposed, in close proximity to the thigh bone. The biggest hall story we have heard yet was that of Mr. J. Smith, from the southwest part of Hamilton county. He says that the hall fell to the depth of two

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