

WRITTEN BY LINCOLN'S HAND

Autographs and Letters of Martyred President at City Library.

MANY OTHER SOUVENIRS OF FAMOUS MAN

Copy of New York Herald with Story of Assassination, Also Poster Offering Big Reward for Capture of Murderers.

People are reading and talking of Abraham Lincoln today, how few there are in Omaha who know that by a visit to the city library they can read words actually written by the hand of the martyr president.

The longest is an informal note of introduction, written on the adverse side of a visiting card. It says:

Secretary of State, please see and converse with General Kimmel, who is a state senator of Frederick, Md. A. LINCOLN.

Another place where Lincoln's signature appears is at the end of the document appointing Cornelius A. Walborn to be deputy postmaster of Philadelphia. This is also signed by William H. Seward, as secretary of state.

This document and the note of introduction are kept under glass in a frame where appear also the signatures of George Washington and Chester A. Arthur, also letters and signatures of Benjamin Harrison and James A. Garfield. The public has easy access to these souvenirs and it is said they are inspected many times each day.

Mr. Lincoln's Autograph.

Under lock and key, in company with two copies of the New York Herald, telling of the shooting and death of the president, are kept a fac-simile copy of the emancipation proclamation, a fac-simile copy of a letter from Abraham Lincoln to Park Benjamin, the author, and a little piece of paper on which the name "Abraham Lincoln" is written in the president's handwriting, and underneath, in another hand, "Washington, D. C., April, 1862."

The latter paper was evidently sent out from the president's office in answer to a request from some collector of autographs. The letter to Park Benjamin, which is a fac-simile—but even a fac-simile is not to be had at any price—is dated at Springfield, Ill., November 15, 1860, and runs thus:

Park Benjamin, Esq.: Your kind note of congratulation was received in due course and you are not disappointed in the hope you express that I may set some value upon it.

From the evidence in the Byron Reed collection, the president had three ways of writing his name. He wrote it "Abraham Lincoln," "A. Lincoln," and "Lincoln."

Three bronze medals with Lincoln's head on one side are kept in one of the bureau proof cases of the Byron Reed collection. One is about two and three-quarters inches in diameter, one is considerably larger than a dollar, and a third is elliptical in shape and about one inch in length.

The collection contains a copy, April 15, 1865, of the New York Herald, which, with 100 compositors working at high pressure under promise of reward, scooped all the other New York papers on the story of the assassination of President Lincoln.

The head writer was either limited by imagination, custom or printing facilities, for instead of announcing at the top of the page that President Lincoln was dead, he called attention to the column by the one word, "Important." The next deck read, "Assassination of President Lincoln" and the third, "The President Shot at the Theater Last Evening."

Instead of stating in five or six words in a single paragraph right at the outset that the president had been killed, the editor who arranged the story started it off with the official dispatch of the War department to Major General Dix at New York City, dated at Washington, April 15, 1865.

WORK OF THE CLUB WOMEN

Fourth District of Nebraska Federation to Meet at David City.

OUTLINE PLAN FOR LEGISLATIVE CAMPAIGN

General Federation Recommends to Members Methods of Securing Results on Laws that are Urged by the Body.

The fourth district of the Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs has received and accepted an invitation from the Ingleside club of David City to hold its spring convention at that place.

Outline for Legislative Work. The General Federation of Women's clubs recommends the following outline for legislative work, used last year by the Michigan federation, as a model for other federations:

Measures that should have special attention—The juvenile court bill, including compulsory education for epileptic and feeble-minded; child labor bill. Measures that we are asked to endorse and aid in education of public sentiment—A bill on wall sanitation; a bill for registration of trading courses; pending forestry bill.

Methods of Work—Education of public sentiment through the press. Each club can help in this; one program in each club and at county federations; devoted to the state legislative work; personal influence of club members and voters exerted with members of the Legislature.

Christian Visiting Nurses. The Visiting Nurses of Charleston, S. C., have just celebrated their forty-fourth anniversary of their organization.

Woman's Club Notes. The United States Daughters of 1812 of Illinois have undertaken the task of marking the graves of all soldiers and sailors of the war of 1812 in Illinois.

HOME RULE FUND FOR IRELAND. Omaha's Contribution to the Cause Forwarded to the Treasurer at Boston.

The committee which had charge of the recent meeting in Omaha addressed by Thomas M. Kettle, M. P., in support of the cause of home rule for Ireland, has concluded its labors and has sent a check for \$74 to the treasurer of the United Irish league, T. B. Fitzpatrick of Boston.

MARRIED LIFE TOO CONFINING. Edward Cochran's Desire for Gayety Brings Infelicity and Wife Asks Divorce.

The desire of Edward Cochran to be single again and enjoy theaters, dances, parties and the freedom of the unmarried man are alleged to be the cause for domestic disagreement in consequence of which Mae Cochran yesterday applied to the district court for divorce.

CHARGES GARDENERS' TRUST

Councilman McGovern Says Dealers Make Agreement on Prices.

WANTS CITY MARKET HOUSE REOPENED

In Council Committee Ordinance Looking Toward This End is Introduced, but Tabled After Fire from Retail Grocers.

While assembled in committee of the whole yesterday afternoon the city council decided to keep hands off the market house matter for awhile. An ordinance to re-establish a retail market at the market house on Capitol avenue was tabled in the committee room.

OMAHA PARTY TO STATE HOUSE

Men and Women Will Attend Hearing Tonight on Child Labor Bill.

A delegation of Omaha men and women will go to Lincoln this morning for the hearing of the child labor bill before the judicial committee of the senate, to be held at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Commissioner Believes People Understood Proposition and Legislature Favors It.

THE BADGE OF HONESTY

In an every wrapper of Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery because a full list of the ingredients composing it is printed there in plain English.

TALBOT GETS HANDS BURNED

Turpentine-Soaked Cloth on Sore Finger of Local Publisher Catches Fire.

N. O. Talbot of 413 Farnam street is laid up with burned hands, caused by the ignition of a cloth saturated with turpentine and wrapped around a finger he injured Sunday morning.

WIDOW WILL CONTEST WILL. Mrs. James B. Kitchen Alleges Unsound Mind When Husband Made Last Request.

Contest will be made today by Mrs. Josephine C. Kitchen, widow of the late James B. Kitchen, on the ground that Mr. Kitchen was not of sound mind when he made his will, December 14 last.

NEW BIDS FOR COUNTY PAVING. Commissioners Formally Reject Old One and Ask Figures on New Bid.

Three damage suits against local corporations were filed in district court yesterday by employees. Mike Mitchell asked \$100.00 from the Omaha Packing company for injuries which he received in December, 1906.

Schmoller & Mueller Piano Company Pays the Difference

The telegram below explains why we will be able to offer to Nebraska piano buyers the greatest piano bargains ever before attempted. The railroad company has agreed with Steger & Sons to pay to us the difference between the original cost of these pianos and the price that we will sell them for.

TELEGRAM— SCHMOLLER & MUELLER PIANO CO., 1313 Farnam St., Omaha. Sell the thirty-nine Pianos damaged by the railroad company in transit. Our representative has examined every one of them. None are damaged on the inside, only on the outside of the case. The railroad company will settle the loss after the sale is over. Sell none to dealers.

In accordance with the instructions of the above telegram, we will on February the 13th, begin the greatest money-saving piano sale ever inaugurated in history. Note the prices we make on the above thirty-nine high grade pianos. Every one was specially selected for our spring trade. They are the finest specimens of the manufacturer's product. They must be sold without delay. Every piano fully guaranteed, not only by the factory, but also by ourselves. You take no risk.

Table with 3 columns: Piano Model, Former price, Railroad price. Includes models like 8 Walnut Case Uprights, 7 Mahogany Case Uprights, etc.

In addition to the above bargains, we are compelled to sacrifice about 135 highest grade pianos now on our five floors, including such renowned makes as the Steinway, Emerson, Hardman, Steck A. B. Chase, Kurtzman, McPhail and others, to make room for our spring stock.

We sell new pianos on \$1.00 weekly payments anywhere in America. Write for catalogues, prices and terms, or pay us a visit of inspection. The opportunity of a lifetime to get a really artistic piano at the price ordinarily paid for an inferior, second class or unknown make.

Schmoller & Mueller Piano Co. The Largest Piano House in the West. 1311-1313 Farnam St., Omaha, Neb. Tel. Douglas 1625. P. S. Note the Words in the Above Telegram: "THE RAILROAD CO. WILL SETTLE LOSS AFTER SALE IS OVER."

macadam only will be asked this time. The price on this is only about half that of vitrified brick, and in some ways it is considered more desirable. The new bids will be opened March 15.

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THE FAMILY PHYSICIAN. The best medicines in the world cannot take the place of the family physician. Consult him early when taken ill.

AYER'S CHERRY PECTORAL. REVISED FORMULA. If the trouble is with your throat, bronchial tubes, or lungs, ask him about taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Do as he says.

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J. C. AYER CO., Manufacturing Chemists, Lowell, Mass.



Married Women. Every woman covets a shapely, pretty figure, and many of them deplore the loss of their girlish forms after marriage.

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