

LOCAL NEWS.

How dear to our heart is
Cash on subscription,
When the generous subscriber
Presents it to view;
But the man who don't pay—
We refrain from description;
For, perhaps, gentle reader,
That man might be you.
—Age of Steel.

W. C. Manny has recovered from his long illness.

Rev. Swickard delivered one of his interesting lectures at Wilnot this week.

Rev. Dr. Sparling occupied the pulpit of the Episcopal church at Mitchell last Sunday.

R. E. McGlathlin is now on the road for Jewett Bros. He made his first trip this week.

W. G. Bickelhaupt spent a short time this week with the representatives of the people at Pierre.

The Cummings brothers who have been visiting for a month at their old home in Canada, have returned.

Services were held in St. Mark's church Wednesday, it being Ash Wednesday, the first day of the lenton season.

Miss Mary Amley is spending a few days with her father, brother and sister at Warner, who are all very sick.

The adjournment of the legislature from last Friday until Tuesday, gave the members an opportunity to spend a few days at home.

Mrs. C. L. Wood is visiting her old home at Madison, S. D., while Mr. Wood is in Iowa on business. They will remain a month or so.

Howard Cole of Huffton, who was so seriously injured recently by a load of coal falling on him, is reported as making some steps towards recovery.

The altar for the new Catholic church has arrived. It is a magnificent piece of workmanship, and one of which the Aberdeen people may well be proud.

Arthur Hastings, who has been visiting relatives for the past two months at his old home in Clinton Junction, Wis., returned to Aberdeen Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Stokes of Watertown, are among those from South Dakota, who are taking advantage of the Minneapolis Journal's excursion to Florida.

Geo. Martin has bought the T. E. Lewis property on Seventh Avenue west and will move therein about the middle of March. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will remove to Minneapolis.

Andrew Martin, formerly a citizen of Groton, was found frozen to death at Milbank on Wednesday of last week. The jury brought in a verdict that his death was caused by asphyxiation.

Mrs. T. F. Ronayne departed Wednesday morning to join her husband at Galesburg, Ill., where they will make their future home. Their many friends here wish them the best of success in their new home. While enroute Mrs. Ronayne will visit her mother at Huron and a sister at Mason City, Iowa.

Monday evening the city council adopted the ordinance to fix and establish the grade of Kline street and of the sidewalks on either side. The plan as talked of last summer will be followed and Kline street with its beautiful homes will become the most fashionable residence street of any in the state.

According to a decision of States Attorney Perry, the basement saloon of J. E. Levers in the Mead block was not in conformity with the law, and Mr. Levers removed his stock and fixtures to the next building north, which he formerly used as a billiard hall. The interior of the saloon could not be viewed by the public from the walk above, thus being unlawfully conducted.

J. L. W. Zietlow, manager of the Dakota Central Telephone Company, narrowly escaped death at Lake Preston last week. He was boarding the train while in motion, and slipped on some ice on the car step and fell, but hung onto the rail until the train was stopped. Had he loosened his hold before the train came to a stand still he would have been crushed to death beneath the wheels.

The Modern Woodmen of America are in the front rank of benevolent secret orders and the cost of life insurance through it seems to decrease instead of increase with the age of the order. The society is now in its sixteenth year and from 1890 to 1897 they have been called upon to pay only eleven assessments a year and in 1897 and 1898 only ten assessments were required. This year begins with a larger surplus on hand than any previous year and there is no assessment for February.

M. R. Heninger of Westport, has returned from Mexico. He spent a month there with Aberdeen people, of which there are quite a number. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Mills are living in the city of Mexico where Mrs. Mills has a large class of ladies who are learning the art of china decorating. F. G. Newell and Frank Hopkins are at Metlatonca where they are interested in coffee lands. Mr. Newell has at present, about 30,000 coffee trees growing nicely, which will in a short time bring him a neat income. Frank Hopkins is also making good progress with his ranch and is well satisfied with his investment in Mexican property. Mr. Heninger reports all in good health and thoroughly enjoying themselves.

"Hank" Foster has resigned his position in Warren's barber shop.

Mrs. Whittaker and Mrs. Tennant entertained the Tuesday Euchur Club at the former's residence Monday evening.

Fred Wiedebusch bought the southeast 1/4, 34-121-65 in New Hope township this week of Lincoln & Boyd, paying \$700 therefor.

Blodgett & Wells, proprietors of the new second hand store, have dissolved partnership. Mr. Wells will continue the business.

A letter has been received from S. W. Narregang stating that he had arrived safely at San Francisco and is beginning to thaw out.

The Degree of Honor masquerade ball Tuesday evening was a very successful affair, and a good time was enjoyed by all who attended.

Frank Ashley, a printer of Clark, S. D., stopped over in Aberdeen one day this week on his way home from Eureka where he has been working.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Jerome last Friday, at Crookston, Minn. Mrs. Jerome was formerly Miss May Ward of this city.

Fred N. Lee has bought the store and farm of Carl Voigt at James. His father, W. F. Lee of Sparta, Wis., has arrived and will have charge of the store.

Arvin Potter, Ed Champlin, Harry Williams and Edgar Barker attended a dancing party at Ipswich Tuesday evening, and report a very enjoyable time.

The condition of Mrs. Frank Beard, who is in a Minneapolis hospital, is very much improved and she hopes to be well enough to return home in a week or two.

Mrs. H. S. Ackley left Wednesday morning for Bloomington, Ill., where she was suddenly called by a telegram, announcing the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. T. C. Gage.

Mrs. Flora Chapin, wife of Rev. M. E. Chapin, formerly of this city, died recently at Mitchell, S. D., of heart disease. The funeral services were held Sunday.

Mel Warren and wife have returned from Cedar Rapids, Ia. Mr. Warren will not go to Cedar Rapids yet as was reported but will continue his business here for the present.

R. H. Angell, of the Olwin Dry Goods Store, has returned from a purchasing trip in the east. He bought a large stock of goods and the advertisements of "The Big Store" will show many bargains for the buyer.

Mrs. Henry McRoberts, who will be remembered by her Aberdeen friends as Miss Blanche Davies, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. P. S. Davies, formerly of this city, died at Greene, Iowa, January 25, 1899. Mrs. McRoberts had been married but little over a year.

The Milwaukee railway's representatives are making application for a new trial in the Duprau damage suit, and will appeal to the supreme court in case of a denial. Duprau, who was shot by a railway policeman last fall, was granted a verdict of \$1500 damages.

Mr. M. J. Foley, of Cherokee, Iowa, who has advertised that he would open a tailoring establishment in this city, February 27, had a slight stroke of paralysis a few days ago, which effected his left arm, and he may not be able to open his business here as soon as expected.

The annual meeting of the Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite Masons, was held Monday evening, and the following officers were elected: Venerable Master, Dr. H. E. McNutt; senior warden, I. D. Davies; junior warden, Geo. F. Brown; secretary and treasurer, S. H. Jumper; almoner, J. L. Browne; orator, J. E. Adams.

Dr. and Mrs. Countryman will leave Aberdeen in about three weeks to spend six months or more in the south. The doctor will take a post graduate course at the medical college at St. Louis and Mrs. Countryman will spend the same time in taking a musical course in the conservatory of music at Hannibal, Missouri.

Grant Skillman and another man, unknown to the police were arrested in the city yesterday on suspicion of being the parties who robbed a store at Mellette Wednesday night. The men were tracked to this city by the Mellette marshal, who by the aid of Chief Holmes, arrested the men who are believed to be the guilty ones. About \$30 in cash and a lot of cigars were stolen from the Mellette store, and the police in their investigations here discovered a lot of cigars in boxes hidden in a barn. They have probably got the right parties, as one of them Skillman, is an old offender and has served time in the penitentiary for stealing wheat.

Judge Campbell heard the Roberts County seat contest case at Webster last Saturday and decided in favor of Sisseton. The people of Wilnot wanted the records of the county returned to their city, claiming the location of the county seat at Sisseton by the 1898 election was void, on the grounds that a statute forbids a vote on such questions often than once in four years, and that the case had been voted on in 1896. Judge Campbell upheld the opinion of the Sisseton people that the law was unconstitutional. The Wilnot people have not given up though, and will appeal to the supreme court hoping for a more favorable decision. Meanwhile the citizens of these two towns cannot be expected to be on any very friendly terms.

J. S. Vetter returned from Chicago yesterday morning.

J. H. Firey is home again after his trip through the southern states.

Rev. Dr. Swickard is in Minneapolis. His pulpit will be filled by the Westport minister Sunday.

The Rebekah social which was held last evening, at the I. O. O. F. hall, was a very pleasant affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Perry left this morning for Buffalo, N. Y. Mrs. Perry's mother is dangerously ill at that city.

Orrin Champlin, who is in Illinois, shipped a car load of young cattle to add to his herd near Mina, and they arrived a few days ago. He will ship another car load, which will arrive in a few days.

The whist tournament opened today between Wahpeton, Gettysburg and Aberdeen players. The contest is going to be an interesting one as all three cities boast of excellent players.

Rev. C. E. Hager has secured for the new Inter-state Chautauqua Association some of the most talented orators, lecturers and musicians that can be produced in the states. The assembly at Big Stone, next summer will be a big thing.

Capt. Smith of Ordway, returned this week from a long visit to his old home in Canada. He was absent about two and a half months and enjoyed the rest very much barring a severe attack of grippe which marred his enjoyment for a week or two.

Municipal Ownership.

At the meeting of the city council Monday evening, the committee appointed to investigate the electric light and gas plants reported as follows:

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council: Your special committee, to whom was referred the matter of the gas and electric light plants, reports that they have had the same under consideration and respectfully report that we have made as full an examination of the matter as our limited experience would permit. The plants seem to be in fair condition, but without going to the expense of getting expert testimony, which your committee were not authorized to do, we are unable to give the actual value of the property. We find from an examination of the books of the company that they show a consumption of gas and electric light in 1898 of over \$16,000, and the expenditures, aside from interest on bonds and for machinery and betterments of less than \$10,000, and your committee would recommend the purchase by the city of the said plants free and clear of all incumbrances aside from the \$35,000 of bonds, for the price of \$3,500, if the same can be legally purchased by the city.

F. D. CAMPBELL,
A. N. ALDRICH,
WOOD HARRINGTON,
M. H. KELLY.

A motion was made, supported and carried that the report of the committee be adopted. The mayor, Ald. Kelly and the city attorney were given the power to carry out the proposition of the council. This action on the part of the council aroused considerable discussion among the business men of Aberdeen and for a couple of days but little else was talked on the streets. Some favored the investment and some were opposed to it.

The talk finally culminated in a public meeting which was held yesterday forenoon at the city hall, where the matter was discussed with the council committee.

The discussion developed the fact that no one seemed to know very much about the value of the plant it was proposed to buy, or what it would cost to duplicate it. Everyone, including the lawyers, seemed to be at sea as to the status of the question.

The investigating committee appointed by the council consisting of Mayor Hute, Auditor Schleuter, Attorney Hauser and Alderman Kelly are now engaged in looking into the matter.

Old Soldiers Banquet.

W. P. Stickney of Bath, banqueted a large number of old soldiers at his home on Tuesday evening of last week.

Mr. Stickney, an officer and member of the U. V. U., wished to bring his comrades together that they might talk and live over again the scenes of '61 and '65, so he arranged for an entertainment consisting of a reception, re-union and supper, all in one. The evening was spent in playing games, music, both vocal and instrumental, recitations, etc., followed by the banquet. There were about eighty guests seated at the table and all did ample justice to the bountiful repast.

Congregational Entertainment.

The next of the series of entertainments which the Congregational church is giving this winter will be a lecture by Washington Gardner, on the Struggle of Chattanooga, at the opera house tomorrow (Saturday) evening. Mr. Gardner is from the state of Michigan, where he has served in the capacity of secretary of state and is at present congressman-elect. He is a fluent speaker and all who attend the lecture are promised a rare treat.

Notice of Public Sale.

I will sell at public auction, according to law, the effects of S. M. Bennett, deceased, consisting of one sheep skin coat, a box of engineers tools, compressing drills, wrenches, pliers, etc., and one silver watch, to the highest bidder, on Saturday, February 4th, at Hartwell's livery barn. Said sale will commence at 2 P. M.

JOHN A. FULPAA,
County Treasurer.

Circumstantial Evidence.

During a discussion in regard to circumstantial evidence a lawyer told of a remarkable case, which, he said, appears in the Virginia reports. It was this:

A man was discovered with a knife from the prostrate form of another man near a roadside. The witnesses rushed upon him and took the weapon from him. It was still dripping with the warm blood of the victim. He was accused of the murder, but asserted his innocence. He claimed that he had happened along the road but a few moments before and saw his alleged victim struggling with another man. Before he could come up, the unknown had driven his knife home and had fled into some brush close by. Seeing the knife still in the breast of the fallen man, he stooped over and drew it forth, just as his accusers came on the scene. That was his story. The knife being identified as the property of the accused, no credence whatever was placed in his tale. He was tried, convicted and hanged.

A year later the man who had really committed the crime, while on his deathbed, confessed that he was the murderer and told how he had stolen the knife from the innocent man who had been sent to the gallows.

Preparing For Their Return.

They were blasting rocks near a river and dynamite had been placed in different localities.

The family of a colored fisherman were curiously inspecting the work, though they had been warned away on numerous occasions.

One day the old woman, pipe in mouth, was standing with her two children near a barrel of dynamite, when suddenly there was a terrific explosion and the family went up with it.

The head of the family witnessed the tragedy from a distance. The next morning he approached the mayor of the town and said:

"If you please, sah, I wants ter know what cemetery lots is sellin fer in de culled buryin ground?"

"Have you recovered the—the bodies?" asked the mayor sympathetically.

"No, suh, not yit," was the reply, "but I'm expectin of 'em ter come down mos' any minute!"—Atlanta Constitution.

No Pork Chops.

An ethical consideration of diet, with renunciation of flesh, alcohol and all gross matters and the cultivation of the new, incoming body cells with pure, solarized, buoyant foods which shall develop serenity, wisdom and health prepares the way and makes the paths straight for the deliverance of the aspirant spirit from its material gyves.—Intelligence.

Socialism Among Capitalists.

The capitalists who operate under the reign of McKinley and who have created trusts during the Mark Hanna administration understand the advantages of co-operation. Hence all the combines and syndicates. The producers and small traders, however, still believe in the exploited theory that private ownership and trust competition are the life of trade.

Marple Heard From.

W. P. Butler writes from Minneapolis and says he has just received two letters from H. M. Marple, who is in Alaska, and who was thought to be dead on account of his friends not hearing from him for so long a time. No word of any kind had been received even by his wife since last June. The letters were dated September 30 and October 3, 1898, and stated that he and his party were well, but had not yet struck it rich. The letters were written at Weare on the Yukon.

Notice to Contractors.

The board of county commissioners of Brown county will receive bids for the furnishing of all the material and labor necessary for the building and completing of a two story frame addition to the present court house according to the plans and specifications on file with the county auditor. Each bid must be accompanied by a check for 5 per cent. of the amount of the bid.

The board of commissioners reserve the right to reject any or all of the bids.

Bids will be received up till 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, March 8, 1899. By order of the board.

J. H. MILLER, County Auditor.

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The westbound service is equally good; the train which leaves Minneapolis at 4:20 p. m. and St. Paul, 4:50 p. m. connects at Kasota, with the sleeping car for Brookings, leaving Kasota after supper at 7:35 p. m. daily except Sunday, and arriving at Brookings 9:20 the following morning. The sleepers leaving both points Saturday night remains at Tracy over Sunday. This train leaves Chicago 3:00 a. m. and Milwaukee at 4:50 a. m., arriving at Aberdeen, S. D., at 8:45 p. m. For further particulars inquire of ticket agent Chicago & North-Western R'y.

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