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FROM THE HOT SPRINGS.

The Hills are all about you; the atmosphere is wonderfully transparent—the sky as brightly blue as Italy's. Your spirits rise as you drink in the crisp morning air. Dust and hot winds are unknown here. The vagaries of the thermometer pass unnoted. And in place of hot streets and hotter houses are cool canons, great forests of waving pines and sparkling torrents that sing their way downward from the heights.

The Evans Hotel is the first object to attract your attention. Just across the street from, and a little to the right of, the Union Depot, with well trimmed lawns and wide, shady verandas, it presents a most inviting appearance. The Gillespie, equally comfortable, if a little less roomy, faces it. The Sioux City Club House crowns the bluff on the further side of Fall River, a tinkling rivulet that runs through the town from north to south. The Parrott and the Davis Hotels are a few hundred feet north of the depot, while the Catholicicon, one of the largest hotels, is nearly a mile to the south.

Hot Springs is a new town. Most of its business blocks are of stone. The residences, the greater number of which are on the high land west of the depot, are undeniably attractive—very much more so than one would expect to find in a town not yet ten years old. Some of them are large enough to be imposing. All are neat and pretty, and admirably adapted to the needs of their occupants.

The climate of Hot Springs is unlike that of any other part of South Dakota—unlike even those nearby portions of the Hills, where, one would suppose, the atmospheric conditions would be precisely the same.

The days are invariably bright—extremely hot weather rarely encountered—the nights cool—sudden changes infrequent. And there is so little humidity one might be pardoned for saying there is none.

The air is singularly pure. It tempts you to stay outdoors all day long. It sends you to bed tired and sleepy, but happy. It rouses you in the morning, refreshed, invigorated, ready for the doings of the day. It sends the blood hurrying through your veins. It makes you hungry, eager to climb mountains, to walk, to bathe, to dance, to do everything and anything that is good for you. Next to the wonderful healing waters, it is the one thing that, more than any other, makes the weak strong, the strong stronger.

The waters of Hot Springs are even more wonderful than its climate. In the valley in which the town lies, are no less than seventy-five different springs. The strongest and most valuable medicinally are the Minnekahta, the Mammoth, the Stewart, the Lakota and the Catholicicon, which supply nearly all the bath houses and plunge baths in the city. The Hygia or Kidney Spring is also a great favorite. Whatever else is prescribed for the patient, he is told to "bathe frequently in the Minnekahta and to drink six glasses of Kidney Spring water during the day with plenty of exercise between drinks."

One of the great advantages of these Springs is that their temperature is the same as that of the human body, and the addition of cold water, or exposure to the atmosphere to render the water suitable for bathing is unnecessary. For this reason the waters retain all their life-giving, disease curing virtues. By drinking the waters and bathing in them the pores of the body are opened and the secretions are stimulated to a free and natural activity. The supply is constant, invariable and inexhaustible, flowing nearly a million gallons a day.

Diseases that are cured: Rheumatism; acute, muscular, inflammatory. Sciatica and nervous prostration. Diseases of the kidneys and urinary organs. Diseases of the stomach, such as chronic gastric catarrh, dyspepsia, etc. Diseases of the intestines, such as chronic catarrh, habitual constipation, etc. Asthma and hay fever. Tuberculosis or incipient consumption. Chronic skin diseases of all kinds. Neuralgia and paralysis. Liver complaint and jaundice. Gout, adiposity, abdominal plethora and diabetes. Syphilis in all its forms. Chronic diarrhoea.

These are some of the diseases for which the waters of Hot Springs have proven to be of wonderful benefit. It has been demonstrated, time and again, that they are efficacious where medical skill is of no avail. Invalids who have tried all the famous Springs of Europe without obtaining relief, have, after a few weeks stay at Hot Springs, gone away completely cured.

Hundreds of instances bearing out the truth of these statements might be given, but perhaps the strongest evidence that Hot Springs' waters possess all that is claimed for them is to be found in the results of the visit of a detail of aged veterans of the Civil War. These men

were occupants of the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kansas, and were, three summers ago, sent to Hot Springs to undergo treatment. Their ailments varied as greatly as did the men themselves; in fact, one would imagine that, in them, the possibilities of human suffering had been exhausted. Out of thirty, feeble from old age in addition to disease, all but two were entirely cured, and those two were materially benefited. So convincing was this test considered that, on March, 15, 1894, the Military Committee of Congress designated Hot Springs as the best location in the United States for the proposed National Sanitarium for Veterans.

Senator Pettigrew secured the passage of a bill in the senate last winter to locate and erect a National Sanitarium at Hot Springs, in accordance with the above suggestion, and it will become a law before long.

As for baths, one can get anything in that line he wants. Here is the list: Russian baths, Turkish baths, fomentation, vapor, needle baths, plain mineral baths, mud baths, in fact every bath which is conducive to health.

One could write for a week of the beauties of this wonderful resort, and not describe half of the wonders. We have the Wind Cave, Onyx Cave, Battle Mountain, Cascade Springs, Minnekahta Falls, Cheyenne Falls, all within a few miles, and then right in town we have the wonderful plunge bath.

The hotels of this charming little city have accommodations for 1,315 guests, and the list is headed by the Evans with a capacity for 350 guests. This is one of the monuments of the enterprise and industry of Fred Evans, one of the Black Hills pioneers. Fred looks as vigorous and hearty as he did in 1875, when he, with other Sioux Cityites, braved the dangers of a trip into the Hills. Fred and the writer visited the plunge bath one day last week, and a goodly number were enjoying the crystal waters.

W. B. Sterling, general attorney for the Nebraska-Black Hills Northwestern system, and Mrs. Sterling were among the pluggers. Hon. W. J. Bryan is expected here soon, and General W. W. Averell, U. S. A., is expected in a few days to inspect the Soldiers' Home and enjoy the baths. Every train brings excursionists from all parts of the country, and the Soldiers' Home is one of the first points of interest for all excursionists.

The Home was nicely decorated with flags on the 4th, and the veterans enjoyed the occasion. Service was held in the chapel at 3 o'clock. There are 160 veterans enrolled at the Home, but a number are absent on furlough at present. The Home has every accommodation necessary to the comfort and happiness of any man, and God knows there is nothing too good for the aged men who risked their lives that our nation might live.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to thank the many friends for their kind sympathy and aid during the bereavement of our husband and father. Kindness so nobly and generously shown could never be repaid on this earth, but we know that the Maker of all things will have it recorded above. When the hour of trouble comes to those who so kindly assisted us, our most earnest wish is, that they may have the same kindness shown them as has been shown to us.

MRS. WM. WALTERS AND FAMILY.

Popular Excursion to Spirit Lake and Okoboji.

On Sunday, July 25, there will be a popular cheap excursion to Spirit and Okoboji Lakes via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. On that day the Smalley Grand Concert Co., of Chicago, will give a high class musical entertainment, guaranteed by the management to be first-class, in the Pavilion at Arnold's Park.

For the above occasion the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway will run a special low rate excursion train from Canton to Spirit and Okoboji Lakes and return. Special train will leave Canton at 7:30 o'clock a. m. Fare for the round trip \$1.50. Admission to concert 25 cents, which is not included in above rate.

The Hunter-Selzer Farm

And State Experimental Station at Mellette is now in fine condition, and will amply repay a visit from farmers and others interested in irrigation and in getting the best results from their farming. All the best and most improved methods of farming are in operation. In order to give everyone an opportunity to inspect the farm, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway will make special rates to Mellette on every Tuesday and Friday, until October 31 next, from all stations on its line in South Dakota. Call on the ticket agent for particulars as to rates, etc.

SPECIAL SCHOOL ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that there will be held a special school election by the qualified electors of Canton City School District, Lincoln county, South Dakota, on Thursday, the 5th day of August, 1897, at the school house in said district, at which election there will be submitted to the qualified electors of said district the following proposition:

Shall bonds of said district be issued to the amount of Two Thousand Dollars in denominations of Five Hundred Dollars each, due and payable as follows, to-wit: Five Hundred Dollars five years from date; Five Hundred Dollars six years from date; Five Hundred Dollars seven years from date; Five Hundred Dollars eight years from date.

All of said bonds to bear interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually.

Said bonds to be issued for the purpose of raising money with which to construct and furnish a school house in said district.

The polls at said election will be opened at 9 o'clock in the forenoon and will be closed at 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

W. C. GEMMILL,
President.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Notice is hereby given that the Canton City school board will receive sealed bids until Aug. 15, 1897, for the building of an additional school room for said city schools. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Plans and specifications for the same may be seen at the office of the secretary.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Columbia Rebekah Lodge No. 17
Passed Resolutions on a
Deceased Sister.

Whereas, in view of the loss we have sustained by the decease of our Sister, Annis Taylor, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those nearest and dearest to her, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that in regretting her removal from our midst, we mourn for one who was worthy of our regard;

Resolved, That we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased the Divine Providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best.

Resolved, That this heartfelt testimonial of our sympathy and sorrow be forwarded to the bereaved husband and mother, and that the resolutions be spread upon the records of the Lodge and transmitted to each of the newspapers of Canton.

May Reynolds,
Phoebe J. Arnold, } Com.
Jennie Nash.

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Our First Monster Show—Hummell, Hamilton & Co's Three Big Shows United.

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A grand free exhibition free to all. Dauntless queen of the air, Miss Elois Quartiro, in her thrilling parachute leap from a mammoth flying balloon, five thousand feet above the earth. Also Prof. Zuzell, the champion high diver, from a patent water tower one hundred feet high into his patent fire escape. Don't forget to see the grand street parade with three imperial bands, which takes place at 10 a. m. Cheap excursion tickets on all lines of railroad each day.

The Detroit Evening News, June 4, says: "About six thousand people visited the show grounds last night and, considering that this is a circus, were well entertained."

The circus is a complete three-ring show, with the display of imported novelties and the vast stretch of canvas of the bigger and more expensive shows. The menagerie is large and the ring performance includes a number of clever acrobatic feats.

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