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BELOIT ITEMS.

—Thos. Thorsen came up from Sioux City Monday evening. —Mrs. Pickett's poem delivered Thanksgiving will appear next week.

—When shall the long looked for and much talked of bell be heard. —The grading for the side-track, and the leveling for the depot grounds are in progress.

—The party at the School House Thursday evening was well attended, and enjoyable. The profits were assigned to the Bell fund.

—J. H. Coulter has just received some fine candies as our better half and children can testify to. Go to Coulter's and get your family supply for Christmas.

—The advance men of the telegraph corps employed in erecting the line between Sioux City and Beloit, reached here Saturday night. The laying of the holes for the posts are completed to this point.

—Engineer Nash and Abel, of the Pembrian expedition, staked off the grounds for the Depot and side-track near Mike Nelson's residence last Saturday.

—The bridge at Strubles will just above New Eden is completed and the cars crossed on to the Iowa side; work upon the next bridge below Fairview is progressing rapidly, also timber is being prepared for the upper and last bridge at Fairview.

—The largest stock of candy at Coulter's, ever brought to the Sioux Valley consisting in part of Mottos, Marsh Melon, Gum Drops, Jewell, Gum, Chocolate, Mixed candy, etc., etc. His Holiday Goods will arrive this week.

—The Sioux County Independent is giving some earnest talk on the Narrow Gauge project of a road via Orange City to Beloit. The Dr. goes into a matter that has become interested in with him, and if he can induce the people to see matters as he sees them, this scheme may assume the proportions of a reality.

—The programme designated for Thanksgiving day at the School House was carried out, to the very letter. The exercises arranged by Miss Kate Tupper and which were conducted under her supervision were not only novel for the day but interesting. The scholars done exceedingly well, the confusion that was caused by the presence of so many children and the necessary movements in the upper story preparing the tables for the dinner, was a source of great embarrassment to the pupils, requiring at times undue exertion to be heard, but their parts were well rendered and some admirably.

—The efforts of those who participated in the exercises (not pupils) were also heartily appreciated as their merits deserved. The poem prepared and read by Mrs. Pickett was a beautiful and affecting composition, and the notes by Mrs. T. J. Fosdick, were rendered in a style and harmony above the ordinary.

—The ladies who so ardently labored in preparing and dispensing the edibles deserve more than a passing mention for their duties were fatiguing in the extreme but their bill of fare was amply duplicated at the table, and a hungry appreciative crowd attested to its merits. After the repast the audience again repaired to the lower room, where Miss Emma Leavitt the Misses Dixon, Reynolds, Rowley and other ladies of the School sang to the accompaniment upon the organ. J. W. Taylor, and Mrs. Tupper, made eloquent responses to sentiments suggested by the toast master. Miss Kate Tupper being urged recited a cantata plaint of the abused "Irish Biddy." The Rev. W. S. Peterson then spoke to the sentiment, "Our nation present condition." It would have been gratifying to the audience if this gentleman could have been presented earlier in the day before it was weary with the long attendance, as the eloquent manner in which the theme was handled merited a longer time than was allotted him. The closing piece sang by him, ended the exercise of a day long to be remembered and for this enjoyment all who participated seemed desirous of expressing their obligation to the author of such an agreeable entertainment. Miss Kate Tupper who not only strives to awaken an interest in educational matters, but also on deavors to ally social interests and reminds us that "Roses should be gathered as we go."

—The Vaudeville Combination Troupe gave an excellent entertainment at the Beloit School House Thursday evening, all the artists being star actors in their profession.

—Ladies take good care of house-plants these frosty nights. By removing them from the window and putting a burning lamp upon the table where your plants are, will save them through very cold weather. Who would lose a bit of green and a taste of summer when a little care will provide for all.

—The Domestic Monthly published by Blake & Co., 849 Broadway N. Y., is well worth the attention of ladies who wish the latest styles, nice patterns for fancy work, and select reading only \$1.50 per year. Specimen copies 13 cts.

LOCAL MATTERS.

—Leroy Straw and family have removed to California. —The editor being absent, the make up of this paper must be excused.

—Will some of our subscribers bring us corn. We will pay the highest market price. —Holiday Goods just received at Keller's Drug Store, a larger variety and cheaper than ever.

—Geo. P. Keeler has been employed as teacher for the winter term, and a good school will doubtless be the result. —John M. Carpenter returned from Sioux City Tuesday evening. He thinks from the progress now being made that the cars will reach Beloit by the 25th inst.

—J. W. Zellers has opened a Carpenter and Repair shop, over Smith's Furniture Store, on Bridge St., and will execute any work in his line on short notice.

—The Ladies of the Episcopal society will give a Fancy Fair and Festival at the School House in upper Canton, which will doubtless prove an enjoyable affair.

—D. S. Gunter lings under the support of a big cane, endeavoring to display agility in leaping from his buggy the usual result was attained, he leaped, but at the cost of a sprained ankle.

—Esquire Barrows performed a marriage ceremony Thanksgiving evening; the names of the parties we have not learned, but are informed that they were from the vicinity of Sioux Falls.

—As seen by the letter of J. D. Chapman the Milwaukee C. intend to extend their road to this vicinity as soon as the season will permit. Mr. Chapman has interests in this locality, both in Lyon and Lincoln counties, and will be as gratified over the changes the construction of that road will make as those who reside here.

—The Canton people have received a proposition from the Milwaukee Railroad company to locate their depot within one half mile of the Court House, upon the consideration of a subsidy of \$15,000. This is reported by Mr. Warren. Also it is said that the line will be located this winter if the weather will permit.

—New Eden now flourishes as a Rail road town and as the terminus of the mail and passenger trains, we would like to see the new prodigy. Wonder if Mayor Beck has completed his cabinet and if reporters would be granted the freedom of the city.

—Tom Sargent is preparing to absent himself for a trip into southern Kansas. We wish him no worse luck than that the winds from the staked plains would get up an extra touch while he is there and wash him homeward, confirmed in the belief that the Sioux Valley is a better place than the bleak boundless plains of the Kaw country.

—The Lambertson Commercial, a neat spicily and ably edited four column quarto published by W. W. Farham, at Lambertson, Redwood Co., Minn., comes as an exchange. Its publisher, chief foreman in this office is a worthy gentleman and a practical printer of long experience. If there is a local within reaching distance, Farham will send it, and the Lambertsonians will have it dished up in modern style. We predict a successful career for the Commercial under his management.

—The following letter to the Sioux Falls Committee published in the Pandegger again adds to the perplexity of the question as to where the Milwaukee road will strike for when it moves from the present terminus.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 20, 1878.—E. A. Sherman, Sioux Falls, D. T.: Your favor of the 12th inst. to the president has been handed to me. It is impossible for us to state at this time what point we shall extend our road west of the point to which it is now built. We have parties in the field examining there, but presume they will not efficiently examine this fall, so that we can decide before spring the route that we shall adopt west of the point above mentioned—fifteen miles west of Sheldon. Truly yours, S. S. MERRILL.

The following resolutions were adopted by Centennial Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F. of which Hon. Mark W. Bailey was a worthy member.

Resolved: That by a dispensation of Divine Providence our beloved brother Mark W. Bailey P. G. of Centennial Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F. on the 14th inst. exchanged time for eternity. Therefore, Resolved: That by his death we lost a highly esteemed brother, the community at large, a valued member of society, and his wife a kind and affectionate husband.

Resolved: That in the person of our deceased brother, we recognize the highest type of manhood and realize the loss sustained by this community. Resolved: That the members of Centennial Lodge No. 10, I. O. O. F. tender to the bereaved family and relatives of our deceased brother our heartfelt and sincere sympathies in this sorrowful affliction.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be placed upon the records of this Lodge, that a copy suitably engrossed be presented to the widow of our deceased brother, and that copies be furnished to the Sioux Valley News, and the Canton Advocate for publication.

Notice. Delinquent Tax Payers are respectfully notified that if the taxes due are not paid on or before the 15th day of January 1879, that it will be incumbent upon me to enforce the collection of the same. G. W. NAYLOR.

Memorial Exercises.

The services held at the Court House Tuesday afternoon in honor of the memory of Mark W. Bailey were of a very impressive and interesting character. The local Attorney's with Messrs Pettigrew and Winsor of Sioux Falls, came into the Bar accompanied by Clerk Cuppet, and Sheriff Dixon. The table around which the gentlemen became seated was placed an elegantly bound bible. A vacant chair placed at the head of the table also bore the habiliments of mourning—The Clerk Wm. M. Cuppet presided—An opening ode was then sang by a quartet choir, Messrs. Nash and Gunter, and Mrs. J. H. Holey, and Mrs. G. P. Keeler. Mrs. Holey playing the accompaniment upon the organ. O. S. Gifford the surviving Law partner of the deceased then delivered an eloquent eulogy. J. W. Carter presented in behalf of the members, a memorial and Resolutions, accompanying the presentation with a brief tribute to their subject. Messrs. Rea, Jerard, Winsor and Taylor also in seconding their adoption eloquently spoke of the life and attributes of the deceased brother. It is a peculiar but well provision, that the good of men is rarely told until beyond their hearing, but it comes as a solace and soothing balm for stricken hearts when the grave has won a victory.

So with Mark Bailey, the good he has done lives after him, and his friends are greeted with gems of praise from those who knew and realized his worth.

The rush of men, and the confusion and bustle of strife for wealth and power, is yet to come for this quiet community, where our brother had waded with us for this coming change, other and strange faces will appear in the Bar, and time will send his now surviving brothers over the river which he has just crossed, but his memory will be reversed by those who knew him, as long as reason lights the mind, and the "Garnered sheaves" "Of his life's fair ripening grain." will remain as a monument of the faithful use he made of his talent.

Special Correspondence. BELOIT, Wis., Nov. 30, 1878. Dear Sir: I have just returned home from a visit at Milwaukee, for a few days with my old friends in that beautiful city. I conversed with the business men, who were interested in R. R. enterprise, farming interests, and the general welfare of the west, and found among such men as Alexander Mitchell, S. S. Merrill, John Plankinton, John A. Beck the Mayor of the city, that they all felt interested to hear what I had to say about that section of the country, where I have been for a few weeks, and after conversing about the prospects of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R. Co., putting their Road through to Dakota, I had strong assurances of the road being put through to the Sioux Valley as soon as possible for the season, and that it would cross the river near Beloit, and go on through Dakota to the Black Hills, as early as practicable.

Now Judge this is to be the road for the benefit of all your section of that country. Yankton people are anxious to have the Road go there, Sioux Falls people want the same, but neither will get it, as it will go through Lincoln Co. westward to the Black Hills. I regret I have no more time to write you about this matter, but be assured Judge I am deeply interested in this matter, for the benefit of my friends at Beloit and Canton.

Respectfully Yours, J. A. CHAPMAN.

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The receipt of the great Catholic Catechism, sent from New York over \$160,000, and the attendance was over a quarter of a million.

The New Policy.

Congress convened on Monday, with 220 members of the House present. After the reading of the President's message, Wood of New York, manifested a disturbed condition of mind at that portion of the message that alluded to the fearful condition of matters in the South. Anything that squints towards a checking process that is liable to suppress the lawlessness there existing worries these Northern Dough-faces. In alluding to the Southern Policy the President says, "But more general enjoyment of the freedom of suffrage by the colored people, and more just and generous protection of that freedom by the community of which they form a part were generally anticipated, than the record of the election discloses, * * * but in the States of Louisiana and North Carolina at large, but in some Congressional Districts outside of these States; the records of these States seem to compel the conclusion that the rights of the colored voters have been overridden and their participation in the elections not permitted to be either general or free!"

He further states in plain language that it is the duty to enforce into these matters, and for the executive and judicial department to punish the violations of law which have occurred, and says "that whatever authority rests in me to this end I shall not hesitate to put forth. * * * No means within my power will be spared to obtain a full and fair investigation of the alleged crimes, and to secure the conviction and the punishment of the guilty."

What fair minded citizen can fail to endorse this "new policy." Not only will Republicans north and south rejoice at this, but consistent and justice loving Democrats. Only those in the South and their renegade allies at the north that are determined to bully by outrageous and inhuman treatment the colored voter into the support of a contemptuous party, will demur.

The Christian and law abiding sentiment will be rallied to the support of the President, but the rebels, outlaws, cut throats, kluklux and other representations of the infernal regions, will from this moment unceasingly denounce and embarrass the executive. This is not unexpressed, the north are used to such conduct, and after its bitter experience will be less lenient with these peace destroyers.

The North may as well trim ship for a rough gale, that will last until the close of the Presidential campaign in 1880, and as it was inevitable from the unwarranted conduct of those whose necks were spared the halter through the merciful influence of a lenient and forgiving spirit, and more sure the victory for the right.

Worth Twice the Sum. We are just in receipt of the Chicago Ledger, the leading family paper of the West, which is now entering upon its seventh volume. The Ledger is a large 48 column weekly printed upon bold, plain type, which can be read with ease, by either the old or young, and is filled with choice stories and matter of peculiar interest to every household. This excellent journal is supplied to subscribers, postage paid, for the extremely low price of \$1.50 a year. In order to more rapidly increase its present large list of readers, the publishers of this paper have just made a new contract for the manufacture of several thousand fine Nickel-plated English Steel Barrel and Cylinder seven shot Revolvers—22 caliber—which they propose to distribute among their subscribers at cost, and therefore offer one of these elegant weapons of defense and the Chicago Ledger for Three dollars. The revolver will be sent by mail, postage paid, on receipt of the price. The have already distributed 3,000 revolvers and are mailing hundreds daily. Now is your time to get a first-class revolver and the best paper in the country for less than half the actual worth of either. Three sample copies of The Ledger will be sent to any address for ten cents. Address The Ledger, Chicago, Ill.

Mr. William A. Cobb, himself a journalist, in an address at Lockport ten days ago, told his audience what some of the trials of the newspaper are. He enumerated the following: "The placidity with which correspondents write upon both sides of the sheet, thus setting all the compositors to breaking the Third Commandment: the appearance in the sanctum of the man who has a grievance; the presence of the fiend who carries away the best exchanges; the coming in of the man who has the latest news—one of those characters who has an idea that when he goes West the East tips up, and vice versa."

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Lost. On Saturday last, between Nine mile creek and lower Canton, a Ladies basket, containing a Hat, Nubia, and one Kid mitten. If found please leave at this office.

Christmas Night. A Grand Masquerade Ball will be given by the Gay and Happy Club of Canton, December 23rd, to be held at Keller's Hall. Supper will be provided at the Harlan House. Invitations and other notices will be given in due time.

A Fancy Fair and Festival

will be held at the School House in Canton on the evening of December 13th, by the ladies of the Episcopal society for the purpose of raising funds to aid in the erection of a Church building.

There will be Instrumental and Vocal music and a New England Supper. Soliciting Committee: Miss. Edna Martin, Miss. Hattie Loomis, Mrs. A. F. Rudolph, Miss. Ray Miller, Mrs. J. W. Carter, Miss. Dollie Dixon.

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At Grand Forks, Dakota, small pox is raging with alarming malignity. An Omaha family a few days ago departed with a servant girl, and now the family is looking for the girl and about \$500 worth of household.

An old lady, being at loss for a pin cushion, made one of an onion. On the following morning she found that all the needles had tears in their eyes.

Carl Hanson has been found guilty by a Yankton Jury for the murder of his father. Another spectacle of the gallows is thereby foreshadowed.

Six years ago the 14th inst occurred the blockade on the Sioux City & St. Paul road, when the snow almost completely paralyzed traffic for nearly three months. A pleasing contrast between then and now.—Sheldon Mail.

Rock Rapids Review: Dakota seems to be the grand theater of actions for the great contest of the railroads. A number of companies are straining every nerve to first obtain possession of the coveted prize, and the result will doubtless be that Dakota will next year see more railroad building than any other state or territory.

Lambertson (Minn.) Commercial: Some of the weather prophets are predicting an unusually severe and stormy winter because there is more hair in the butter and the wool that the politicians usually pull over the people's is thicker than custard-mary.—But no matter whether the prediction is verified or not, it will always pay a man to stock his cellar and celler his stock.

Indian summer reigns all along the frozen zone of the Northern Pacific rail road, from the open harbor at Duluth to the freely flowing Missouri at Bismarck, while the so-called temperate latitudes of the Missouri Pacific are swept by storms of hail and sleet and smothered with avalanches of blinding snow.

ANGELL, who left Chicago with \$120,000 of the Pullman Car Co's money, has been captured in Lisbon, Spain. \$80,000 in money and bonds were found in his possession. The search made for this refuge was of an extraordinary character; 20,000 photographs were sent to every central railway office, sailing and banking house in the world, and descriptions accompanied by an offer of a reward of \$5,000 were sent to every considerable post office.

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Bonds owned by the company, to-wit: U. S. Government 31,000 00 U. S. Bonds 1,065,464 00

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Philadelphia City 131,000 00 U. S. Bonds 112,000 00

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832,000 00 Penn. R. R. Co. Bonds 500,000 00 Reading, Lehigh Valley, North Penn. and other R. R. Corporation Bonds market value 827,750 00

800,000 00 Cash on hand and in the hands of other persons 877,419 99

Loans adjusted and due Nothing Loans unadjusted and due 800,000 00

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Debts for premiums 107,926 83 All other securities 1,079,926 83