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Weather Probabilities for 24 Hours

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16, 1875, 7-45 A.M. Probabilities for upper Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys, rising barometer, colder northwest winds, partly cloudy and clear weather, except occasional clouds and snow in eastern portions.

LOCAL LACONICS.

To-day's north wind will assist in creating next season's ice crop. Last Monday was the thirteenth anniversary of the battle of Fredericksburg.

Mrs. Morrison received intelligence last night of the death of her only son, in Maine.

Superintendent Cross is having prepared an accurate map of Dakota, and will circulate thousands of them as immigration documents.

The Vermillion Register intimates that an excursion may come from that city to-morrow night to attend the minstrel performance in Yankton.

The Congregational social held last evening at the residence of Rev. Joseph Ward, was a very pleasant affair, and was well attended by young and old.

Thermometer twelve above zero at seven o'clock, and the same at noon. Winter is showing its teeth to day and growling at us with the voice of an infantile blizzard.

The Odell case is still further postponed, the supreme court being kept busy on important work. But Judge Bennett hopes to get to the Odell matter by to-morrow.

M. H. Kendig is about to open a grocery at Rosedale. This will be the pioneer mercantile establishment of that locality.

The Owens brothers brought in two thousand pounds of venison from the Niobrara region to day, which found ready sale on the market.

Fourteen loads of wheat arrived to-day from Rockport, and three loads from Rosedale. They have just finished threshing up there, and the machine has gone to Firesteel to complete the season's work.

ST. CHARLES—M. L. Sprout, St. Paul; C. R. Marks, C. F. Hoyt, Sioux City; T. L. Hatch, Ft. Sully.

Mrs. De Geer is endeavoring to revive the crusade movement in Yankton. We understand the first prayer meeting will be held in front of the Herald office. Democratic editors need all the prayers that can be offered up in their behalf. In this connection an anecdote will serve as an illustration. A Methodist minister was holding a revival in Missouri, and observing a suspicious character come into the church, he walked up and accosted him as follows: "My friend, are you a Christian?" "No, sir," was the reply, "I am a democratic editor." "Then," said the minister, "in the name of God, let us pray."

PERSONAL.

Perry Waldron, of Sioux City, is registered at the Merchants.

MERCHANTS—S. Hirsch, St. Louis; W. J. Hancock, Dubuque; W. W. McLain, Council Bluffs; H. Levy, Milwaukee; W. P. Freeman, Dan'l D. Carter, Chicago; P. C. Waldron, Sioux City; Geo. L. Haggood, Boston, Mass.; N. B. Rich, Bucksport, Me.; C. B. McCulley, Canada.

GERMANIA—Dan Ray & son, Logan; Jas. W. Edgley, G. W. Edgley, city; Frank Huber, Frank Watzel, Theodore Momme, James River; Maneson & son, George H. Ross, Creighton, Neb.; Nick Backus, James River; James M. Cary, Walshtown; W. M. S. Wisegaver, Colerburg, Iowa; Michel Marshall, Millville, Iowa; James Marshall, Mahton Way, George Pita, Greeley, Iowa; S. Black, Swan Lake; Frank Schneider, Creighton; Carl Platner, Peter Quast, Jacob Koch, Lodi; Friedrich Bruns, Niobrara.

Something for the Officials to Look to

We have a law against games of chance, yet under the eyes of the officials an institution on Third street, which calls itself a picture bazaar, or something of that sort, is daily and nightly raking in the quarters and dollars of verdant Yanktonites without giving them anything better for their money, in a majority of cases, than a piece of paper with a number marked on it. It is unaccountable that so many people can be found who imagine they can beat a trickster at his own game, but they always have existed, and always will, and it is the duty of the authorities to protect them against imposition. We have not money enough in our midst to be able to spare any for such enterprises. There are churches, schools, humane societies and various charitable objects which demand all our spare change and are entitled to it in preference to any foreign enterprise which gives not value received. Our merchants sell goods in a legitimate way and give the worth of money invested every time, and as the common capital is limited every dollar which goes into this Third street institution is a dollar taken from our local dealers. It should be invited out of our midst. We do not need it and its presence is a positive damage morally and financially.

IF YOU WANT TO SEE Old Santa Claus himself, go to Mills & Purdy's.

ORDERS BY MAIL.

Mills & Purdy will promptly fill all orders for holiday goods and send them securely packed.

Robbery and Arrest.

On Monday last a man named Hitchcock reached Yankton from Wolf creek, a tributary of the James river, with one hundred and fifty dollars in his pocket. He had been putting up a mill out there for a Russian colony and was on his way home to Council Bluffs. After arriving in Yankton he concluded to celebrate by getting on a spree, which he accordingly did, distributing his cash to all or nearly all the numerous resorts in town where straight and crooked whisky is dispensed by the drink. The day following he made complaint to Marshal Leeper that he had been robbed of nearly all his money, and the Marshal set to work to ascertain the thieves. Hitchcock could give but little information of his whereabouts while intoxicated and had no idea who took his money. The Marshal however traced him from one saloon to another until he reached a place kept by a man named Fitch on Capital street nearly opposite the Excelsior Mills, and here he reached the end of his rope. He found that Hitchcock had been seen with money at all the places he had visited until he reached Fitch's, where the proprietor avowed he appeared without a cent. The Marshal was puzzled but not defeated. He gave Fitch a short moral lecture illustrated with mysterious hints, and left him. The following day, Mr. Fitch sent for the Marshal and unboasted himself to that official to this extent. That while Fitch was in his saloon he had been robbed by a man named Furlong, who was then working for the city in expectation of some misdemeanor. Fitch stated that he had bodily injury had prevented him from making this statement when the Marshal first called. Furlong was sent for and searched, but only four dollars was discovered on his person. He explained that this money was given him by his father, but this explanation proving "too thin" he amended it by saying that he found the money in an out house. The amendment was discussed by the Marshal who finally refused to accept it. He then accused Furlong of the robbery and endeavored to prevail upon him to give up the money. The accused party persisted for some time in denying but finally yielded to the Marshal's persuasions and confessed. He acknowledged that he robbed Hitchcock while Fitch held him. That he gave Fitch a \$100 bill which Fitch was to get changed and divide, but that "the d—d son of a b—h" had refused to "play fair"—in other words he hadn't divided. Fitch denied the "soft impeachment." Both parties were taken into custody and are now in durance vile. Their examination before Judge Rossteuscher will take place to-morrow. Hitchcock remains in town and has hopes of recovering his money.

ON OF OUR BEST.

Turner, of Turner County, Turns the Press to Some Account and Advertises Dakota.

Sioux City Journal, Dec. 10th.

P. H. Turner, of Turner, Turner county, D. T., arrived in the city a day or two since after an absence upon his Dakota farm of just one year, during which time he scarcely left his premises, so absorbed was he in agricultural pursuits. He furnishes us the following news notes concerning the improvements, etc., in his county during the past season.

Turner county, although represented as being badly grasshoppered last year, was not in reality so hard up as some of the residents desired to make it appear, in the hope of getting aid from the public at large, and if thrown entirely upon her own resources could have abundantly supplied the wants of all within her borders. The past season has been a very prosperous one. Crops of all kinds yielded largely, and the quality of the wheat harvested takes rank second to no county in the territory. Mr. Turner raised 957 bushels, a portion of which he has already disposed of, realizing from it 74 cents per bushel. Corn was a fair crop, and the same may be said of all other kinds of farm products.

Turner county is looking to the completion of the Sioux City and Pennington road to Beloit, Iowa, for a near shipping point for her products, and earnestly desires that the line may be built thus far at an early day. The section of country lying between Turner and Beloit, a distance of twenty-three miles, is an excellent grain growing region, and will settle rapidly on the completion of the Pennington.

Four years ago Mr. Turner and one of his brothers, mounded a road from the present town site of Turner through to Sioux Falls, and the next year, in 1872, it became a public thoroughfare. At that time there was not a single habitation between the Vermillion and Big Sioux rivers. Since then, however, the country has been settling rapidly, and now comfortable farm houses dot the prairies in every direction, and it is almost impossible to get out of sight of them.

In 1871 Mr. Turner also assisted in laying out a road from his place to Yankton, at which time not a house was standing between the two points. The growth of Turner county the past season has been slow, but as the crops have been excellent and everything prosperous, it is expected that this will work favorably to induce immigration another year.

Swan Lake, the county seat, has improved much the past season. Many business, office and residence buildings have gone up. Since the 4th of July no less than eight or ten substantial houses have been built, and others are projected.

The town of Turner contains only about a dozen buildings all told. The Episcopalians are making an effort to erect a small chapel another season, and it looks very much as though they would succeed in their undertaking. Rev. Dr. Hoyt, of Yankton, holds regular service there, as does also the Rev. Mr. Spangler, Methodist, of Lincoln Centre. A commodious school house is among the buildings to be erected another season at Turner, and altogether there is every indication that the town will materially improve during the coming year.

Rosedale Progressing.

A. J. Marshall, of Rosedale, who called to-day, says that there is a movement on foot to establish a floating mill at Rosedale, the Jim furnishing an excellent water power at that point. He informs us further that parties are now in Yankton purchasing the goods for two stores which are about to be established at Rosedale.

Appointments of Rev. Dr. Hoyt for January.

- January 2—Vermillion, 11 a. m.
2—Meckling, 3 p. m.
2—Gayville, 7 p. m.
7—Springfield, 7 p. m.
8—Bon Homme, 7 p. m.
9—101 a. m.
9—Springfield, 3 p. m.
11 & 12—Star Corners, 7 p. m.
13, 14, 15—Swan Lake, 7 p. m.
16—Swan Lake, 11 a. m.
16—Turner, 3 p. m.
17, 18—Turner, 7 p. m.
19, 20—Lincoln Centre, 7 p. m.
21, 22, 23—Sioux Falls.

Venison at the Broadway market. Some fine black tail deer just received by Anderson & Fuller, Broadway.

The Minstrels To-Morrow Night.

Duprez & Benedict's popular negro minstrel troupe will appear at Stone's hall to-morrow evening, and give one of their pleasing entertainments. The company is as complete as any that travels, and will without doubt furnish a very agreeable evening's entertainment. Tickets for sale at the postoffice book store and at the door. A diagram of the hall is on exhibition at the postoffice counter.

8 1/2 pounds choice Turkish Prunes for \$1.00 at Ketchum & Ackley's.

DAKOTA NEWS.

CLAY COUNTY.

Vermillion Register, Dec. 10th. The course of lectures promised by the ladies of the Congregational church will be inaugurated in a few days.

A farmer from Nebraska crossed the river on the ice last Monday, with 80 bushels of wheat on his wagon. He says he would not like to repeat it at present.

Some of our musical friends have suggested the organizing of a grand musical concert at Vermillion at an early day, the proceeds of which to be applied to the establishment of a musical association for Vermillion.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

Canton Eclipse, Dec. 11. J. M. Wahl, immigration commissioner, etc., is off to Wisconsin, Chicago, and other places, on a mission connected with immigration to Dakota. He takes with him samples of this country's productions, and expects to interest many Dakotawards.

Married—By Rev. M. V. B. Morrison, on Sunday evening Dec. 6th, 1875, at the residence of the bride's father in Canton, D. T., Charles E. Rosenbergs and Era Sutton, all of Canton, Lincoln county.

Coal has been found in Lincoln county on the farm of Mr. Cole.

MINNEHAHA COUNTY.

Sioux Falls Independent, Dec. 11th. The engineers of the Sioux Falls Railroad company commence the surveying of the road at 8 o'clock this morning.

For the benefit of some who imagine that the Southern Minnesota intends leaving this town out in the cold in the building of that road, we will mention the rumor that seems to have all the elements necessary for a complete belief that the officers of that company are investing largely in Minnehaha county real estate. We submit that no better investment in the real estate line could be made, and if they build railroads as they buy land we will soon hear the rattle of the cars.

Sioux Falls Panograph, Dec. 8th.

Who is the fortunate individual that will establish a merchant bearing mill at this place. A fortune awaits him.

Last Sunday morning a young man was caught stealing two cans of fruit from the Cataract House. He carried them back through the middle of the street in the presence of fifty or twenty acquaintances which was considered sufficient punishment.

A corps of surveyors commenced running the preliminary survey for the Sioux Falls railroad on Thursday, the 9th inst. The starting point is over the river opposite town. It will follow the river around to a point about six miles east of here, and from thence through Valley Springs to the Minnesota line. Messrs. Walts, of Sioux Falls, and Alexander, of Dell Rapids, with a number of able assistants, run the instruments, under the general supervision of Mr. Wood, of Valley Springs, who has had, we understand, a large experience in railroad building.

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Governor Seward's Travels Around the World.

Mr. Seward had completed the second of his journey before his departure for his recent death. The work is published in the opening chapter, in the following words:

The undersigned have the pleasure of announcing to the public that they have now ready William H. Seward's "Travels Around the World." The work is edited by his daughter, Olive Risley Seward, who accompanied Mr. Seward on his wonderful journey, and gives the record of travels and his political, social, moral and philosophical observations and reflections, in Mr. Seward's own words; together with his interviews and talks with presidents, kings, emperors, sultans, khedives, tycoons, unklams, East Indian potentates, and his holiness, the pope. Crossing nearly all the mountains, rivers and oceans of the globe, Mr. Seward received in the countries which he visited as no private tourist has ever before been received in all history, accompanied by the largest demonstrations of respect, emperors and kings vying with each other in extending courtesies due only to the most distinguished guests, furnishing to his countrymen the evidence of the exalted position he occupies in the world's regard.

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Ladies, you can buy an elegant corset for \$1.00 at Ketchum & Ackley's.

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An endless variety of Toys at H. I. Brown's. 200-41

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Christmas Gifts. All those sensible people who wish to combine the useful with the ornamental when selecting holiday presents for their friends, will not omit a visit of inspection to Eschman's grand bazaar.

Notice to the Tax Payers of the City. I hereby give notice that the city and school tax book is now in my hands for collection. Taxes are due Dec. 1st, and become delinquent Feb. 1st, 1876. C. E. DRAMBLE, City Treasurer. 197-2W

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Removal. Vaughn and Decker have removed their Family Grocery and provision store from Broadway to the former Scandinavian House on Cedar Street, south of Third where they will be glad to meet the purchasing public, promising fair dealing, first class goods, and prices as low as at any point in the city.

WANTED. A WASHBRAWMAN. At the St. Charles hotel, to whom good wages will be paid. Enquire at the hotel office. JOHN ROSS, Proprietor. 1841

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