WEST SIDE TIDINGS.

Prof. and Mrs. Hoffman attended the teachers meeting at Dow City last Saturday.

Miss Glennie Paine of Vail is visiting her many friends this week.

Miss Elsie Burr left Friday evening for her home in Atlantic Ia. to visit a very sick sister. We hope she found her sister better so she may return soon. Mrs Hoffman is in charge of the primary room during Miss Burr's absence.

Mrs. John Mumm's birthday was celebrated last Friday afternoon and evening by a large number of her friends who met at her home.

At the literary society last Friday the following officers were elected. Pres. Prof. Hoffman, Vice Pres., Crist Kraft; Program com., S. Blackman, Margaret Buton, Jessie Martins

The new post office is almost completed It is a great improvement to Main street. Mr Blackman is to be complimented on his good taste and skill shown in his new office. He hopes to enter it some day this week. The old building has been rented by J. C. Karchube to be fitted up for the grocery department of his store.

Mrs. Mont Campbell celebrated her birthday last Thursday.

The annual election of Epworth League officers occured last night the officers elected are as follows: Pres. Miss Lilly Spottswood, 1st. vice pres., Prof. Hoffman, 2d vice president, Emma Bock; 3d vice pres., Jennie Schneclath, 4th, vice pres., Lulu Woolhiser; Sec Kate Trusdall, Treas Christ Kraft, organist, Margaret Buton.

Half Rates to the Madri Gras and Winter Resorts

Via the North-Western Line. On account of the Mardi Gras at New Orleans and Mobile, excursion tickets will be sold February 17 to 22, inclusive (and for trains arriving at Mobile for New Orleans by noon of February 24), at one fare for the round trip with favorable return limits. Excursion tickets are also on sale daily, at reduced rates, to the principle winter resorts in the United States and Mexico. For full information apply to ticket agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

An Alliterative Poem on Pigs.

One of the book collectors of Philadelphia has in his library a volume of Latin jokes that was printed in Germany in 1703, says the Philadelphia Record. The name of this volume is "Nugæ Venales," and it contains a poem 300 lines long wherein every word—every single word—begins with the letter "p."

Even the title page of the poem contains only "p's." It reads:

"Pugna Porcorum, per Publium Porcium, Poetam" ("The Battle of the Pigs," by Publius Porcius, poet).

Here are two lines of the poem that show how strange alliteration, so heavily laid on, appears:

Perlege porcorum pulcherrima proelia, pictor;
Potando poteris placidam proferre poesim.

Almost incredible is the patience that must have been required to compose this work of 1,500 words, every one of which begins with a "p."

Spoiling a Tragedy.

Among theatrical anecdotes a time honored chestnut is that which belongs to the tent scene in "Richard III." The story is told of Barry Sullivan, to whom it probably occurred. Anyhow the narrator has thrown in a repartee that is characteristic enough of the famous Irish tragedian.

"Who's there?" exclaims Richard at the conclusion of his dreaming. Catesby in his excitement stammered out his answer and abruptly stopped in the middle of his phrase, "'Tis I, my lord, the early village cock."

Sullivan surveyed the bewildered aspect of the officer for a few seconds with a sardonic grin, as if enjoying the actor's agony, and then growled in an audible tone, "Then why the mischief don't you crow?"

Saw the Whole of It.

Alexander weeping because the world was so small has a counterpart in an old inhabitant of Luss, a pretty little village on Loch Lomond side, Scotland, who at last has been persuaded to climb the mountain which has filled so large a part of his horizon all the days of his life. In Luss he has lived, as his fathers lived before him, and from Luss he has never had the ambition to journey, even as far as Glasgow. But some one got him to the top of Ben Lomond the other day.

"Eh, mon," said he, with great self congratulation, "but the world's a big place when ye come to view the whole of it!"

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A SWORD OF HONOR.

It Was the Means of Bringing Marshal Ney to Death.

A saber of honor brought Marshal Ney to dishonor and death. When Napoleon entered Cairo on the 22d of July, 1793, he was presented with three swords of honor richly inlaid with precious stones. He brought them back to Europe, and in 1802 he gave one to Ney and another to Murat, keeping the third for himself. Ney received his at an imperial reception. The sword passed from one to another of those present, among whom was a young subaltern of the Auvergne regiment. When Napoleon escaped from Elbe, Ney left the king and took sides with his former chief. After the allies entered Paris, Ney made preparations to get out of the country, but his wife and a friend persuaded him that there was really no danger, and he decided to remain in France. Then came the order for his arrest. He fled to a castle in the possession of some friends and succeeded in reaching it without his presence being known. One day, feeling tired, he threw himself on a couch, first taking off his oriental sword, which he always wore out of affection for the emperor. Hearing voices, he sprang up and hurriedly left the room, forgetting his sword. A minute later a party of women and men entered the room, one of them being the young subaltern of the Auvergne regiment, now a colonel. He at once recognized the sword and, calling in some gendarmes, proceeded to search the premises. Finding that he was discovered, Ney gave himself up quietly. On Dec. 7, 1815, the marshal, whose sobriquet was the Bravest of the Brave, the hero of a hundred battles, was shot. Scarcely two months after the owner of the second sword, Murat, had met his fate in the same way.

Not to Be Endured.

"Deah boy, is it true that you have discharged your valet?"

"Ya-as, the scoundrel! When I took him out with me, he managed to make people think he was the mastah and I was the man, baw Jove!"—Exchange.

Notice of Incorporation.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, A. C. Balle, B. Brodersen, J. E. Balle and Charles Bollen have organized themselves together as a body corporate, for the purpose of transacting a general wholesale and retail merchandising business. The name of said corporation shall be The Balle Brodersen Company, with its principle place of business at Denison, Iowa. The general nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation shall be that of a general wholesale and retail merchandising business, including the handling and sale of dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, notions, groceries, queensware, hardware and all such other articles of merchandise as are usually handled and sold in a general department store, with the right to buy and hold real estate as may be desired. The capital stock of the corporation shall be $60,000 00 divided into shares of one hundred dollars each, which stock shall be full paid and non-assessable. The corporation shall commence business on or before February 1st, 1903 and continue twenty years. The affairs of the corporation shall be conducted by a President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary and a Board of Directors to be chosen at the annual meetings to be held at such time as may be fixed by the by-laws or may be agreed by the stockholders. For the purpose of the transaction of the business of said corporation until its first annual meeting the following persons shall serve as such officers: President, A. C. Balle; Vice President and Treasurer, B. Brodersen; Secretary, J. E. Balle; and these officers with Charles Bollen shall also constitute the Board of Directors. The corporation shall not incur indebtedness in any sum exceeding two-thirds of its capital stock.

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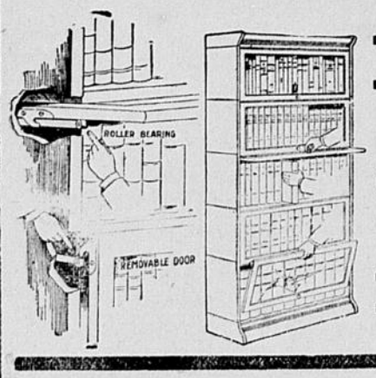

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CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Day's Trading and Closing Quotations.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Wheat was fairly active today and after a weak opening the close was strong. May being up ⅝c. May corn was a shade higher and oats up ⅛c. Provisions closed strong, the May products being from 7½c to 32½c higher. Closing prices:

Wheat—Feb., 75¼c; May, 78⅞; July, 74⅛.
Corn—Feb., 43¼c; May, 44⅝c; July, 43¾c.
Oats—Feb., 33¾c; May, 36¼c; July, 32¾c.
Pork—May, $16.72½; July, $16.35.
Lard—Feb., $9.42; May, $9.42; July, $9.25.
Ribs—May, $9.15; July, $9.02½.

Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 red wheat, 75@77c; No. 3 red wheat, 68@75c; No. 3 spring wheat, 68@70c; No. 2 hard wheat, 72@74c; No. 3 hard wheat, 68@72c; No. 2 cash corn, 43½@44c; No. 3 cash corn, 42@42¼c; No. 2 yellow corn, 43½@44c; No. 3 yellow corn, 43@43¼c; No. 2 cash oats, 32½@32¾c; No. 2 white oats, 35@37c; No. 3 white oats, 33½@34½c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000, including 1,000 Texans; slow and weak; good to prime steers, $4.60@6.10; poor to medium, $3.00@4.50; stockers and feeders, $2.30@4.05; cows, $1.40@4.50; heifers, $2.25@4.75; canners, $1.40@2.60; bulls, $2.25@4.25; calves, $3.50@7.25; Texas fed steers, $3.50@4.50. Hogs—Receipts, today, 27,000; tomorrow, 30,000; left over, 5,000; strong to 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $6.55@6.80; good to choice heavy, $6.85@6.97½; rough heavy, $6.60@6.85; light, $6.30@6.60; bulk of sales, $6.55@6.75. Sheep—Receipts, 12,000; steady to strong; good to choice wethers, $4.40@5.25; fair to choice mixed, $3.50@4.40; western sheep, $3.75@5.25; native lambs, $4.50@6.30; western lambs, $4.75@6.25.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,000; steady to 10c lower; choice beef steers, $4.60@5.25; fair to good, $3.75@4.55; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.35; western fed steers, $2.75@5.05; Texas and Indian steers, $2.25@4.00; native cows, $1.50@4.00; native heifers, $2.25@3.90; bulls, $2.45@3.40; calves, $3.00@6.80. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; steady, closed weak; top, $6.92½; bulk of sales, $6.70@6.90; heavy, $6.80@6.92½; mixed packers, $6.60@6.90; light, $6.40@6.67½; pigs, $6.10@6.40. Sheep—Receipts, 5,000; sheep steady, lambs easy; lambs, $3.85@6.25; fed ewes, $3.00@5.10; wethers, $3.00@4.90; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.50

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,700; steady to strong; native steers, $3.50@5.40; cows and heifers, $3.00@4.00; canners, $2.00@2.90; stockers and feeders, $3.00@4.50; calves, $4.00@6.25; bulls, stags, etc., $2.00@4.00. Hogs—Receipts, 8,500; steady; heavy, $6.65@6.80; mixed, $6.65@6.70; light, $6.55@6.67½; pigs, $5.75@6.70; bulk of sales, $6.65@6.70. Sheep—Receipts, 6,500; steady; yearlings, $4.75@5.40; wethers, $4.50@4.90; ewes, $3.75@4.20; common and stockers, $3.50@4.25; lambs, $4.75@6.00.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

St. Joseph, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,700; natives, $3.75@5.50; Texans and westerns, $3.25@4.85; cows and heifers, $2.00@4.25; veals, $2.50@6.50; bulls and stags, $2.50@4.25. Hogs—Receipts, 7,800; steady; light and light mixed, $6.70@6.80; medium and heavy, $6.75@6.95.

Blizzard at Cedar Rapids.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Feb. 4.—A blizzard which began here at noon is still raging. Six inches of snow has fallen and street car traffic is paralyzed.

LOCATING JOHN.

The Fate of a Tiger Hunter and His Return Home.

A story is told of a young man named John P., who, being in poor health, went to India. His family had instructed him not to spare expense, but to cable three times a week how he was and what he was doing. The first cable message ran:

Am well. Have native guide. Inja. Hunt tigers tomorrow.

The next communication did not arrive till two weeks later. It was this:

John dead. Killed. Tiger. What do? INJA.

Back went the tearful message:

Send on body.

A month later there was delivered to the keeper of the receiving vault of M. cemetery a box or coffin so large and heavy that it might have been the home of a second Cardiff Giant. Suspicion having been aroused, a permit was secured and the sealed coffin opened. To the consternation of those present there lay the body of a magnificent Bengal tiger resting on white satin. The following message was soon racing across the Atlantic:

Some mistake. Some mistake. You send a tiger. Where is John?

The following information was soon received:

No mistake. No mistake. John inside tiger!

Nature's Monument to Washington.

Among the many monuments to Washington is the one which every visitor to the Cape Verde Islands will remember as one of the most colossal and marvelous freaks of natural sculpture in existence. Along the farther side of the harbor of San Vicente, the principal town, rises a bold ridge of dark gray volcanic rocks, the crest of which forms an exact likeness of our immortal George, seemingly lying face upward, as if in a peaceful sleep.

The hero's large, bold features, the backward wave of the hair, his massive shoulders and even the frill of the shirt front are all reproduced on a gigantic scale with wonderful exactness. The strange monument, sharply outlined against the deep blue of the tropical sky, is one of the first objects that meet one's eye in approaching the island. Its gigantic proportions, with the boundless ocean for a background, form a portrait wonderfully true to nature and overpowering in its magnificence.

Tennyson's Memory.

Tennyson when a young man had a strong liking for Gray and classed him and Burns as the two greatest lyric poets of any age or country. He much loved some of Burns' poetry. But before all Tennyson placed his Bible. He had also a great liking for Dante's "Inferno" and knew it line for line. He would boast in his pleasant way that if any one read one line he could give the next from memory, and he invariably did it.

STORM SWEEPS OVER NEBRASKA

Drifting Snow Interferes With All Outdoor Traffic.

Omaha, Feb. 4.—Nebraska experienced the worst storm of the winter yesterday, and with nightfall its violence increased rather than diminished. There was a steady, heavy fall of snow, accompanied by a high wind, which piled it in drifts. Passenger trains are slightly delayed. Hastings and Kearney reported a blizzard prevailing and business at a standstill. The storm covered nearly the entire state, but the temperature everywhere is above zero.

At midnight it was reported by the Burlington that trains were moving with difficulty on its Black Hills line near Ravenna, Neb., and that if the state of weather then prevailing kept up much longer other lines would soon be tied up. It was predicted that some of the branch lines, on which night trains are not run, would be found blocked in the morning.

A special from Springview, in the cattle country, says: A blizzard struck here yesterday. Cattlemen fear heavy losses on account of the severe cold and scarcity of food. The mail wagon is again blockaded and some fear is entertained for the driver and some freighters who are known to be out.

Central Illinois Suffers From Sleet.

Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 4.—Central Illinois was visited yesterday by the most disastrous sleet storm in many years. Rain, which commenced falling at daybreak, froze as it fell, breaking down electric wires and damaging trees. In this city the danger from live wires became so great that trolley car service was ordered suspended by proclamation of the mayor, and all electric light companies were directed to shut down until repairs could be made. Bloomington was in darkness last night and the streets are a tangle of wires, fallen trees and branches. The Home Telephone company was forced to close its exchange owing to the destruction of wires.

Storm at Chicago.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—One of the worst storms of recent years raged in this city yesterday and caused much damage to telephone and telegraph wires. The storm was accompanied by a gale of forty-eight miles an hour. Several persons were badly injured by falls, the pavements being simply a sheet of ice.

WOMEN HANGED IN LONDON.

Recommended for Mercy, but Home Secretary is Immovable.

London, Feb. 4.—Amelia Sach and Annie Walters, "baby farmers," were hanged at Holloway jail yesterday. The women were recommended mercy on account of their sex, but the home secretary was unable to grant the reprieve usually accorded.

The women walked to the scaffold unaided and displayed remarkable fortitude. No woman had previously been hanged in England since March, 1900.

GERMANY TO ADMIT JESUITS.

Government Lifts Ban on Excluded Religious Order.

Berlin, Feb. 4.—The German government has decided to readmit Jesuits, who, since July, 1872, have been excluded from Germany. Chancellor von Buelow, in the reichstag yesterday, said he would use his influence to instruct the Prussian members of the bundesrath to support the repeal of the anti-Jesuit laws so far as to permit individual German and foreign Jesuits to reside in Germany, but not to allow the founding of Jesuit chapters, which, the chancellor believed, the confederated governments would not accept. The chancellor's announcement caused a sensation among the members, though it was not unexpected in view of the cabinet's negotiations with the majority parties over the passage of the tariff bill.

Sultan's Victory Exaggerated.

London, Feb. 4.—The Times this morning publishes a dispatch from Tangier, according to which the sultan's victory over the pretender has been exaggerated. Only thirty heads of rebels and eighty-five prisoners have reached Fez. The correspondent of the Morning Leader at Tangier telegraphs that the pretender, Bu Hamara, has taken up a fresh position near Fez and another battle is imminent.

Munroe and Sharkey Agree.

New York, Feb. 4.—Jack Munroe and Tom Sharkey signed articles for a twenty-round contest to take place some time after four months. Bids for the fight will be opened on March 3. It is provided that the club securing the fight must be satisfactory to both men.

House Disposes of Claim Bills.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The house spent practically the whole day on claim bills coming over from last week. Payne, the floor leader of the majority, fought them all, but succeeded in defeating only three bills. After the claim measures were disposed of, general debate on the postoffice appropriation bill was resumed and Robb (Mo.) addressed the house on the trust question.

To Build the New Cruisers.

Washington, Feb. 4.—At the cabinet meeting yesterday it was decided to award the contracts for the construction of the new cruisers to the Cramp Ship Building company and the New York Ship Building company at the minimum price of $4,035,000.

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