

Holt County Sentinel. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1899. Oregon Lodge, No. 128, A. O. U. M., meets 1st Monday and 3rd Monday in each month. Key Stone Chapter meets on Tuesday and 4th Saturday in each month. J. O. F. Oregon Lodge, No. 54, meets every Wednesday evening. Encampment No. 43, 1st, 3rd, 5th and 7th Monday of each month.

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Church Directory. PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, W. H. COWEN, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath (except the 1st and 3rd) at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. M. E. CHURCH, Rev. Wm. Hawley, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school every Sabbath at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening.

WARRANTY DEEDS, of the most approved form—price 10 cents each, or 20 cents per dozen. Trust Deeds—price 15 cents each, or \$1.50 per dozen. Quit Claim Deeds—price 10 cents each, or 75 cents per dozen. Blank Notes—price 5 cents each, or \$1 per hundred in book form.

St. Joseph & Council Bluffs Railroad. Time Table No. 10. Taking effect, Nov. 26, 1899.

GOING NORTH. Leave Forest City. Mail and Express, No. 1, 11:50 A. M. Night Express, No. 4, 7:45 P. M. Freight, No. 2, 8:40 A. M. Freight, No. 3, 12:45 P. M.

GOING SOUTH. Leave Forest City. Mail and Express, No. 1, 8:00 A. M. Night Express, No. 4, 7:45 P. M. Freight, No. 2, 8:40 A. M. Freight, No. 3, 12:45 P. M.

Before Mayor Orange at Craig. On Monday Dec. 18th, Wm. Gardner, Marcus Lewis and M. T. Fronberg were arraigned before Mayor Orange, for being a little too disorderly while on drunken spree. The trio were fined \$3.10 apiece, including costs.

Grant Post Office, Holt County. The Postmaster General has established a post office at Nichols' Grove, in this county, called Grant Post Office.

Sudden and Curious Death of Thomas J. Chuning. On last Saturday night a very sudden and remarkable death occurred in Rush Bottom, in this county, the circumstances and supposed cause of which are, according to our informant, as follows:

Some time last fall, Thomas J. Chuning, the subject of this sketch, and Hugh Irwin, being in Forest City, became intoxicated, and got into an altercation which resulted in Irwin being most inhumanly beaten with an axe-handle, and losing an eye in the fracas. The Grand Jury at the last term of our court found an indictment against Chuning for an assault with intent to kill, and the court fixed his bond at \$2,500. It is alleged that since that time, Chuning has apparently been in great trouble on account, it is supposed, of the indictment and heavy bond, and indulging freely and frequently in intoxicating liquors. A short time before his death, he was at the side of the death-bed of one Mrs. Armstrong. When she was dying, he held her hand as she was going to hell, and that he would follow her in a short time. He then pulled off his boots and ran all the way home barefooted. And on last Saturday evening he went to bed as usual, but making a singular noise during the night his wife awoke, and asked him what was the matter. He said, "I am dying!" She said, "I reckon not, Tom." "Yes, I am," he said, "and you had better awaken the boys." She did so. He then told her to bring him a looking-glass. He looked into it and remarked, "I don't look like a dying man, and yet I am dying!" He then turned to his oldest son, and told him to get thirty of his best hogs and drive them to Forest City, for Brittain and Ford, to pay for them off; and to tell his brother John to administer upon his estate, and to pay off all his debts first. Then turning to his wife, he said, "And you take the remainder and do as the report you can with it." He then laid down, breathed a few times more, and expired; there lay the lifeless, but once robust and manly form, of Thomas J. Chuning, an undoubted victim of that most baneful of all modern vices—Intemperance!

Remarkable Cure of a Blind Man. The St. Joseph Herald says, that Mr. Nathan Nelson, of Oregon, Holt county, has been blind over ten years, and supported by the county. The Judges of the County Court had concluded to take him to the Blind Asylum. Through the advice of Mr. Zook and others, he was brought to this city by Judge Lehman, who consulted Dr. C. Adams, Oculist. The Doctor has operated on his eyes, and he now rejoices in restored sight; can see to read coarse print; and, in fact, go all around the city. We saw Mr. Nelson today, and he informed us that it is the first time he has seen objects for ten years. He is at present boarding at Mr. Thornton's on third street, and can be seen by those who desire to see how he has improved.

Prairie Fires Caused by Locomotives. Prairie fires have been very extensive during the month of November in the upper portion of Holt county, caused by sparks from locomotives on the St. Joseph & Council Bluffs Railroad. A ride up the road demonstrates the fact that the Iron Horse is no respecter of persons, nor property, for we saw large tracts of prairie swept clean by the devouring element. A little distance south of Bigelow the fires had extended nearly all the way to Mound City, destroying a great number of houses, and causing much loss to the citizens effected. In there was no prevention of these disastrous prairie fires?

AN ABSTRACT REPORT OF THE SCHOOLS IN HOLT COUNTY. CHILDREN. White males, 2,090. White females, 1,725. Colored males, 43. Colored females, 24. Total In County, 3,882. No. in Public Schools, males, 1,372. No. in Private Schools, females, 177. Whole number males in School, 1,411. Whole number females in School, 1,263. No. of males out of School, 629. No. of females out of School, 472. Whole number out of School, 1,101.

TEACHERS. No. of males employed, 32. No. of females employed, 21. Average salary of males per month, \$43.75. Average salary of females per month, \$32.45. SCHOOLS. No. of Primary, 50. No. of High Schools, 00. Average number of months taught, 5.37. Average attendance per month, 25.

SCHOOL HOUSES. No. of brick, 2. No. of stone, 0. No. of frame, 38. No. of log, 9. Whole number in County, 49. VALUATION. Valuation of furniture and apparatus, \$386.00. Value of school houses, \$27,374.15. The value of school furniture and apparatus is very small and suggests the importance of this subject to the local directors. The school houses are valued at \$27,374.15. This is quite commendable. Another year, however, will add greatly to the above value, as a number of houses are now in process of erection.

BRANCHES TAUGHT IN THE COUNTY AND THE NUMBER OF PUPILS IN EACH. Alphabet, 8. Reading, 618. Spelling, 689. Writing, 266. Mental Arithmetic, 180. Written Arithmetic, 154. Geography, 120. English Grammar, 88. Composition, 45. Declaration, 151. Drawing, 12. Vocal Music, 95. Map Drawing, 90. Oral Lessons, 46. U. S. History, 1.

Various estimates have been made as to the number of hogs raised in this county and exported. Publishing exaggerated accounts about our productiveness, in the long run, is but a poor recommendation of the Journal that indulges in them, and do not promote the interests of our county. Our aim shall be, in giving figures, to get as near the truth in the matter, as will represent our condition correctly.

Upon the whole, our citizens have abundant cause of congratulation, for the prosperity shown by the facts above stated. Our farmers are fast getting out of debt, and the future is full of promise for all classes of our citizens.

Preventative of Hog and Chicken Cholera. We are informed that the following is a specific in preventing and curing hog and chicken cholera. The remedy is composed of 4 parts of madder; 2 parts of antiseptic; 4 parts of sulphur, and one part of black antimony. Dissolve in water, and mix the dilution either in food or water that hogs or chickens drink or eat.

Enigma No. 1. I am composed of twenty-three letters. My 12, 11, 11, 10, can be seen upon the top of all comfortable dwelling houses. My 3, 2, 16, recently and suddenly disappeared from town. My 6, 14, 20, 21, 9, is a river in Europe. My 10, 11, 6, 8, 15, 1, is a town in Holt county, Mo.

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Mr. Editor: Sir,—Selling in your issue of 2nd inst., an account of a row at Craig, in which your correspondent, with all due respect to his truthfulness, has grossly misrepresented the facts. Now in simple justice to all parties, I wish to state the facts as they occurred. Mr. Foster accused Cris. Cook of killing Mr. Waggoner's calf, and Mr. Waggoner told Mr. Cook this, which he denied, and said he would tell Mr. Foster to his face that it was not true, which he did and when being told so, by Cook he forthwith pitched into him, [Cook] and the "native fire" in Christian being aroused, he began to display his pugilistic powers by returning the compliment. Mr. Waggoner, quietly watching the progress of the fight, was shoved away rather rudely by Mr. Hostetter, turned to him and struck at him, cried out, "Fair Play!" Mr. W. was then caught by some parties around the waist and held, during which time he was struck by some one, and so severely that he did not know who did it, but he supposed it was Hostetter that struck him with a slung-shot, or brass knuckles. The trials were held before Justice Orange. It was further stated that the parties were "set up" with "rot-gut," which is not true, for neither Cook or Waggoner were drunk. Again your correspondent writes, that the fight was in the open air, which is not true. The whole affair took place in Mr. Hostetter's saloon, with the exception of Mr. Hostetter striking Mr. Waggoner, Jr. Now this is as near the truth as can be gotten, and we think it is due to all parties that it should be published. Let every one have his due, even the "Wild Dutchman." JUSTICIA.

There will be a Festival held at the M. E. Church, at Oregon, for the interest of said Church, on Thursday evening, 23rd of December, to commence at seven o'clock. Admission ten cents. We expect to have a number of the good things, eatable and drinkable, and hope to have a large company present, enjoying themselves to the full.

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Found Dying. We learn the particulars of a sad case of mental aberration, which occurred in this county the past week. On last Wednesday night at a late hour, the people living on the Missouri River near Brownlee's Mill in this county, heard a voice calling for help, and coming, apparently, from the middle of the river. But as it is customary for young rovers, having swallowed too much "rod corn," while in Oregon, and returning at night, to make considerable noise, hallooing, along the road, the people hearing the noise on the night in question, paid no attention to it.

The next day at about 9 o'clock, some parties on the Kansas side, at Lafayette, saw a man on the sandbar, which runs from near Brownlee's Mill down and into the river for a quarter of a mile. Some of the men from the Kansas side roved over in a skiff, and found the man on the bar in a dying condition. The strange man gave his name as Otis, and stated that he had been on the bar all night in company with another man, whom he said was named Fletcher, and that he (Otis) became exhausted, and sank down on the sandbar. Fletcher walked into the river and disappeared. Stimulants were attempted to be given Otis, but he soon expired and was taken to the Kansas side. On searching the bar, a dog was found, and in one of its pockets was a note-book with the name of John, Henry or George Briscall, and the usual memoranda kept in a workman's diary. Otis (or Briscall) stated before he died that he had come from Nebraska, and was a stranger in these parts.

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I will furnish either Harper's Weekly, Bazar, or Monthly Magazine, for one year, for \$5.20. Also, Leslie's Ladies' Magazine, for \$2.85. All papers furnished at publishers' lowest prices. S. P. JEWELL, 2312.

Jewell has received a new lot of Initial Paper. Call and see it. 2312.

THE UNIVERSAL GRY, "What shall I buy for Holiday Presents" can be answered best by PARKER & Co., 98 & 100 Summer St., Boston, who have an immense variety of Holiday and useful articles, such as all kinds of fancy boxes, writing Desks, Glove Boxes, Albums in Morocco and Gilt and Velvet bindings, real Morocco Shopping Bags, Furnished Bedsteads, Silver Plated Ware, and Cutlery of all descriptions, Jewelry imitations of the latest styles of solid Gold, which cannot be distinguished from the real, &c., and hundreds of the latest and entertaining books. Their stock contains almost everything necessary to supply the wants and gratify the tastes of everybody, and they claim that their superior facilities for buying these goods enables them to sell at very much under the regular prices paid for such articles. They want Agents everywhere, to whom they offer most liberal inducements. We call attention to their advertisement in another column. 2314.

Jewell has the largest and best stock of Picture Frames and Mouldings ever offered in this city. Don't fail to give me a call at the Post Office. 2312.

Beautiful Christmas Gifts. The old year is almost gone. How swiftly time flies! leaving blessing or woe. We may hear it whispering, as it fits by, reminding the children that Santa Clause will soon return, to fill stockings with presents, and hearts with joy. But Old Santa thinks the toys and candies usually given do not refine the mind and sweeten the temper. So he is making arrangements with the proprietor, sent by the American Tract Society, and is to have the prettiest and best books in his stock of \$500 worth, of the best books published. We think all will be pleased with the good sense of their quaint old friend, in making such a wise choice. Good books are the best safeguards against the prevailing evils that blight the fondest hopes and corrupt the morals of our youth, proving a blight and a curse to our community.

All who wish to co-operate with Old Santa in his noble enterprise, can do so by calling at his depository, at PARKER & NORMAN'S store, in Oregon, where you will find something nice, or by sending orders to J. N. MENEFEE, Oregon, Mo., which will be promptly filled and forwarded, free of charge. 2312.

Pictures of all kinds, from 25 cents to \$10, at the Post Office. 2312.

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