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If you want to buy tame pigeons, call at this office.

Large bill of new style men's hats at T. C. Hornby's. 30

WANTED—Girl for general work. Inquire at City Hotel.

H. J. Case has completed the large new addition to his livery barn.

Bishop Graves will conduct services at the Episcopal church, Sunday.

The Loyal Legion of the M. E. church will give a picnic Saturday.

Davenport & Thacher carry a complete line of coffins and undertaker's supplies. 27

J. L. Caldwell will speak from a republican standpoint on the issues of the day at this place, Sept. 4.

"Stubble duck" are ripe, but grouse and prairie chickens will not be ready to pick until the first of September.

On September 1 and 2 the Elkhorn railroad will sell round trip tickets to Omaha for \$5.50, good returning until September 5.

A Bryan Club of 110 voters was organized at Chadron last week and a challenge to joint debate was issued to the local McKinley club.

During a parachute drop by an aeronaut the other day the parachute failed to work, but unfortunately the aeronaut is unable to try it again.

An ice cream social will be given at the Gaskell school house on the evening of Friday, Sept. 4. Proceeds will be used to apply on ministers salary.

The revolution in Cuba still continues, and Gen. Weyler still wins victories—on paper. The island is rapidly being devastated and the end is not far away.

The Rushville Recorder announces that B. B. Stone is in charge of the local department, whereat the Standard innocently remarks that that department is founded on a rock.

We are indebted to L. E. McCahan for a sample of wine made from the sand cherry that are so plentiful here in Nebraska this year. Mack made over a barrel and it is simply "out of sight."—Longpine Journal.

A carload each of hardtack, mattresses and galvanized iron wash tubs are being taken to the Agency by Indians. Poor Lo will rest easy on his new mattress if he will only use his wash tub and take a bath occasionally.

At a meeting of the members of the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening it was decided to extend a call to the Rev. Bassett, of Norden, to occupy the pulpit here, and the reverend gentleman is expected one week from Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Moseley and children, Misses Maud Baldwin, Ida McAndrew and Ada Gould, Roy Barnes, Bert Martin, Clyde and Wilber McAndrew of Ainsworth were in town a short time this morning on their way to St. Mary's Mission. They are out on a little pleasure trip and will return the first of next week.

The West District League of the Northwest Conference, M. E. Church, was organized at Crawford last week, by a representative convention of the various Epworth Leagues from the west half of the conference district. Rev. Cumbow, of Rushville, was elected president, and V. C. Daniels, of Crawford, secretary.

### Democratic County Convention.

A delegate convention of the democrats of Cherry county is hereby called to meet in Valentine on Wednesday, Sept. 2, at 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of electing five delegates to attend the state convention to be held in Omaha on Sept. 4th, to elect delegates to attend the Sixth Congressional, the Thirteenth Senatorial and the Fifty-second Representative District conventions, to place in nomination a candidate for county attorney and to transact such other business as may properly come before it. Delegates present will be entitled to cast the full vote of the precincts represented.

The basis of representation is one delegate for each ten votes or major fraction thereof cast for Hon. W. J. Bryan at the general election in 1894, and one delegate at large from each precinct, giving precincts representation as follows:

Buffalo Lake.....2	Lavaca.....4
Boiling Springs.....4	Minnehaduzza.....3
Cleveland.....2	Mother Lake.....2
Dewey Lake.....2	Nenzel.....2
Enlow.....2	Pleasant Hill.....2
Elk.....2	Sparks.....4
Georgia.....2	Sien.....2
German.....2	Schlagle.....2
Gillaspie.....2	Sharps Ranch.....2
Irwin.....3	Tower.....2
Kennedy.....3	Table.....2
Kewanee.....2	Valentine.....2
Loup.....5	Wood Lake.....5

It is recommended that primaries be held in each precinct on Saturday, August 23. Immediately after the adjournment of the convention the delegates to the Second Commissioner District will meet to place in nomination a candidate for county commissioner.

M. CHRISTENSEN, Chairman.

The case wherein one lady replevined a trunk from another was decided in favor of the plaintiff in Justice Dunn's court Tuesday, the defendants failing to appear.

David R. Francis, of St. Louis, ex-governor of Missouri, has been appointed secretary of the interior by President Cleveland to succeed Hoke Smith, resigned.

Hon. W. L. Greene, the populist nominee for congress from this district, has challenged A. E. Cady, the republican nominee, to a series of ten joint debates at the principal points in the district.

More than ordinary interest is being manifested in the work of the Y. P. S. C. E. at the Presbyterian church, and the society in making a strong effort to gain new members. Meeting every Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

D. Stinard makes a strong bid for trade in these columns this week. He is increasing his stock of goods and will make a trip to Omaha next week to still further add to his already large line of clothing and furnishings.

From the Salt Lake Tribune we learn that C. V. Thorn, formerly of this place and a teacher in our public schools last year, has been elected teacher in one of the Salt Lake City schools. We with other friends congratulate Carey upon his good fortune.

W. S. Plumer, district deputy of the Modern Woodmen of America, has organized a camp of that order at Crookston, and the merry foresters of Valentine camp No. 1751 will go to Crookston next Monday night to initiate the strangers in the mysteries of Woodmen craft.

Professor Somebody's orchestra dropped into town Monday morning and at once the young people smelled a dance, so accordingly it was arranged for. About fifteen or twenty couples congregated at Cornell Hall and until midnight Terpsichore reigned in all his glory. The editor does not dance.

Nels Johnson and John J. Martina, two privates of the Twelfth Infantry, received their final discharges last Friday and started for Chicago on bicycles. From Chicago they go to Detroit, then through Canada to Niagara, and from that place to New York and Boston. They expect to make the entire trip on their wheels.

Dr. C. E. McChesney, Rosebud Indian agent, came over from the reservation with an escort of Indian police and Saturday took about \$20,000 in silver to the Agency to pay his employees their quarterly salary. The cavalcade made a pretty sight as it drove out of town, the treasure wagon being drawn by four horses and surrounded by armed guards.

In the presence of about 200 people Mrs. Felix Black, Edith Pettyerew, Edith Crabb and Walter Flowers were baptised by immersion in the Minnehaduzza last Sunday afternoon, by Rev. O. L. Ramsey, of the Methodist church. Mabel Hahn and Bertha Thorn were baptised at the church in the morning. Some thirty probationers were received into the church Sunday evening.

Went to Arkansas.  
LeRoy Leach, formerly editor of the Wood Lake department of this paper, started last Sunday morning for Pine Bluff, Arkansas, where he will engage in the cotton seed oil business with his brother. LeRoy has been an excellent and efficient aid to the editor in his effort to give the people of Cherry county a first class paper, and we will miss him sadly, but nevertheless we wish him success in his new location and commend him to the good people of Pine Bluff as an honest, upright and conscientious young man as well as an able writer. "The Preston Mystery" new running in this paper, is completed, all the story but the solution being in the editor's possession, and it will be finished and the prizes awarded as per announcements made at the beginning of the serial. The final chapter is sealed and in the hands of Mrs. David Leach, who will retain it until called for by THE DEMOCRAT. The Wood Lake department will be placed in the hands of some good writer and will be continued as formerly.

### To the Gordon Journal.

The attention of the editor of this paper has been called to the rank plagiarism by Bro. Lyon of the Gordon Journal last week. He clipped at least two items from this paper without giving credit for the same. One of them was the article referring to "Rattlesnake Jack." Now, we don't care a continental for that, but as the aforesaid Jack is on our track with one of his "pets" we would advise Bro. Lyon to credit the article if he doesn't wish to fall under the ban and get snake bit. Whisky is the only cure for snake bite, and as Bro. Lyon is a "temperance man" he might have to break his pledge. It's all right to clip from the Aetichon Globe, because their traveling man doesn't carry snakes around in his pocket.

### Weather Report.

Following is a summary of the weather experienced here during the past week, and up to 10 o'clock this morning:

DAY	TEMP MAX	MIN	PRECIP
Thursday.....	95	59	trace
Friday.....	93	62	0.30
Saturday.....	70	53	.....
Sunday.....	80	46	.....
Monday.....	89	48	.....
Tuesday.....	85	52	.....
Wednesday.....	75	46	.....
Thursday.....	80	50	.....

Precipitation is given in inches and hundredths. Observations by C. R. Watson, of U. S. weather bureau. The weather bureau day is from 6 p. m. to 6 p. m.

### Thirteen and Ten Years Ago.

The following items are taken from the Valentine Reporter of August 30 1883:

Hunting was good—Watermelons commenced ripening—Bob Lewis was married—Mr. Goff commenced building a house.

From the Democratic Blade of Aug. 27, 1886:

The corner stone of the Episcopal church was laid. This was the first church in Valentine.—Cora was estimated to yield 40 bushels per acre.—Mrs. Geo. L. Fisher died.

### Advertise Your Brands.

At the solicitation of many friends THE DEMOCRAT will next month add a stock brand department to its columns, and it hopes to secure the patronage of all stockmen who desire their brand to be known. The rates will be the same as those now prevailing, and in addition a new method of making the cuts and brands will be used which will, it is thought, give entire satisfaction. All those who desire to patronize this department will confer a favor upon the editor by writing to or calling at this office.

The old settlers of Cherry and Keya Paha counties will hold their sixth annual reunion at Sparks on September 18 and 19, 1896. The program is almost completed and will be published later. It embraces all kinds of sports, music and speakers. Free cooked beef will be furnished at noon. An agricultural display will be one of the features of the meeting. Everybody who wants a couple of days' rest and recreation should attend the reunion.

Someone with more devilishness than common sense in their makeup, last Saturday night completely ruined the melon patches of Newt Grooms, Harry Ogle, Dick Osborne and John Grooms, at Sparks, by cutting the melons and tearing up vines. A loud protest has gone up from the dwellers of that neighborhood and the perpetrators of the deed may be given an opportunity to protest their innocence in public before long.

## "Nice Little Things"



To have in the house at all times are shoes and hats for the children, if you have any. School time is here, and all the children need shoes and hats—in fact they must have them. We have just what you want—got them on purpose for the school trade—and we want you to see them before you buy.

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W. E. HALEY,

# ABSTRACTER

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### Kennedy.

B. E. B. Kennedy and wife of Omaha, are visiting their son's family.

Mrs. Theo. Doyle and daughter are visiting relatives in the east part of this state.

Cyrus Wolfenden is back again from Maywood, where he went with a bunch of horses.

### Eli Preéinet.

Lewis Adams and family spent Saturday and Sunday on the river.

Mrs. Marriell and daughter Nellie, of Elk, were on the river after plums one day last week.

Alex Morse and Chet McMannamie were meandering around these parts day.

Mrs. Wm. Crane and Cora Bixler, of north of Merriman, visited with Mrs. E. E. Crane last week.

E. F. Devine has made an automatic, self-stacking hay sweep. All Elk has to do is to hitch on and old Billie does the rest.

SANDY

The program for the next field day at Fort Niobrara, Sept. 3, is before us. Twelve events are listed, among them being a 100-yard swimming match and a game of hand ball between two men from each company. We are sorry the events come on our press day but will have a full report of the games, as usual. The swimming match comes off at 3 p. m., after which the contestants in all the events will assemble on the parade ground and headed by the band will march to the race track. Lieut. D. E. McCarthy is in charge of the sports.

Three hundred and fifty five head of steers were shipped from here Monday by special train, from the herds of Messrs. C. and A. J. Abbott, Monahan, Gentry, Kling, and Jakes. Mr. Mahwinney bought them.—Hyannis Tribune.

### Stray Notice.

Taken up at my place on the head of the Minnehaduzza 4 miles north of Kilgore, one bull calf, black and white spotted, about two days old.

GEO. COLEMAN.

### Mill Prices for Feed.

Bran, bulk.....	40c per cwt	\$7.00 ton
Shorts bulk.....	50c per cwt	\$9.00 ton
Screenings.....	35c	" \$6.00 "
Chop Feed.....	70c	" \$13.00 "
Corn.....	50c	"
Oats.....	65c	"

The Mill reduced the price on all grades of flour 20c per barrel last Monday.

New wheat is 40c per bushel at the Mill.

### State Convention.

A delegate convention of the democrats of the state of Nebraska is hereby called to meet in Omaha on Friday, September 4, A. D. 1896, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of nominating the following candidates: Eight electors for the office of president and vice president, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, auditor of public accounts, treasurer, superintendent of public instruction, attorney general, commissioner of public lands and buildings, regent of the state university, to all vacancies, and two judges of the supreme court, contingent upon the adoption of the constitutional amendment, and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before it.

We invite all democratic citizens of the state, without respect to past political associations or differences, to unite in sending delegates to the convention.

The basis of representation is one delegate for each 100 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Hon. W. J. Bryan at the general election in 1894, each county, however, to have at least one delegate.

Cherry and adjoining counties are entitled to delegates as follows:

Brown.....	2	Keya Paha.....	1
Cherry.....	3	Rock.....	2
Dawes.....	7	Sheridan.....	7

By order of the democratic state central committee.

C. J. SMYTH, Chairman.

LEE HERDMAN, Secretary.

### Democrat Congressional Convention.

A delegate convention of the democrats of the Sixth congressional district of Nebraska is hereby called to meet in Chadron on Tuesday September 15, A. D. 1896, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of nominating a candidate for congress and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it. All democrats of the district, without respect to past political associations or differences, are invited to unite in sending delegates to this convention.

The number of delegates to which each county is entitled is:

Banner.....	1	Howard.....	9
Blaine.....	1	Keya Paha.....	1
Boyd.....	5	Kimball.....	1
Box Butte.....	5	Lincoln.....	6
Brown.....	2	Loup.....	1
Buffalo.....	14	Luzena.....	1
Cheyenne.....	3	McPherson.....	1
Cherry.....	5	Scotts Bluff.....	1
Custer.....	9	Rock.....	2
Dakota.....	7	Scotts Bluff.....	1
Dawes.....	7	Sheridan.....	7
Dawson.....	2	Sherman.....	2
Deuel.....	2	Thomas.....	1
Dixon.....	9	Valley.....	1
Garfield.....	1	Wabasha.....	1
Grant.....	1	Waukegan.....	1
Greeley.....	6	Wheat.....	1
Hooker.....	1	Total.....	140
Holt.....	19		

By order of the democratic congressional committee.

JOHN G. MAHER, Secretary.

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