

SATURDAY SIFTINGS: M. A. Walker of Pierce is a city visitor today.

Geo. Wilson of Pierce is visiting Norfolk friends.

A. B. Terwilliger was in the city today from Wayne.

Hugh Herbison was a city visitor yesterday from Madison.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonsen of Pilger were city visitors yesterday.

The Bachelor Girls will meet tonight with Miss Nina Walker.

Miss May McNeill will go to Fremont tomorrow noon for a short visit.

Chas. Newen returned to Gordon last night to resume his work as tinner.

F. W. Beck and son returned last night from a visit to parents and friends at Waterloo, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Bley went to Plainview on the noon train to spend Sunday with friends.

O. W. Rice, four years ago a resident of Norfolk and a conductor, is in the city renewing old acquaintances.

E. B. Kenyon is enjoying a visit with his sister, Mrs. Franklin Elliott and her daughter Sarah, of Columbus, Kansas.

Prof. M. B. Singer and A. Steffen returned last night from Omaha where they had been attending a conference of German Lutheran teachers.

The ice harvest by the F. E. & M. V. company at Valentine has commenced.

The company secures its ice there for Norfolk, Fremont and other towns along its line.

The temperature for the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock this morning has been very even, with a variation of but nine degrees.

A slight fall of snow and a heavy white frost combined to make a beautiful and ideal winter morning today.

The temperature was just right to be bracing and those compelled to stay in the house were the losers.

From the number of teams on the streets today a person might presume that this was a Saturday before Christmas instead of two weeks later, if he did not know different.

The Ladies Aid society of the First Congregational church elected the following officers at their meeting yesterday afternoon:

Mrs. Burt Mapes, president; Mrs. F. E. Hardy, vice president; Mrs. W. Z. King, treasurer; Mrs. C. B. Durland, secretary.

Stanton Pickett: W. W. Young is already making his ability felt at Lincoln.

He has been placed on the committee that selects standing committees, secured one of the four important electives for Harry Beebe, secured Miss Nettie Dorch the position of senate stenographer, had Ally Peters selected as messenger, introduced eleven bills, been appointed on almost every temporary committee and is slated for chairman of three of the thirty standing committees, namely: "Constitutional amendments, elections and privileges" and "library."

Madison Chronicle: A thoroughbred Hereford bull the property of A. W. Glenn, who lives south of town, played the principal part in a hanging one night last week.

The animal had evidently tried to jump over a board fence and just managed to get his forequarters over and could not get any farther, neither could he get back.

The man who had charge of the stock discovered the predicament of the bull the next morning but he could not liberate him.

He went for help but upon returning the animal was found to be dead.

There were no marks on the hide so the conclusion is that the injuries were internal.

Walter Rogers, an Elkhorn brakeman who arrived in Chadron one day last week from Deadwood to be married to one of the popular young ladies of the former city failed to carry out the contract and his friends wanted to know the reason.

He finally informed them that he had been robbed of his savings, \$200, enroute and could not afford to marry.

His friends among the railroad employes at once started a subscription to remunerate his loss and urged him to marry and return to work happy.

This is the third man that has been robbed on the train between Chadron and Deadwood in the past few weeks, one being a stockman, who lost two hundred dollars, and another gentleman, who lost a roll of a hundred and five.

A special to the State Journal from Madison says: The First National bank has begun proceedings for an injunction against school district No. 1 of Madison restraining it from paying out any more money and a temporary injunction has been granted.

The bank loaned Contractor Frank Moore of the high school, \$2,000, secured by assignment of orders for estimates. A part was paid, but there is an alleged balance of \$965.63 unpaid, and plaintiff alleges that the district refuses to pay any more and threatens to pay the balance of the contract to the Fidelity and Deposit company of Maryland, which company has relieved Moore from the contract.

An accounting between Contractor Moore and the school district is asked and a perpetual injunction prayed for.

August Flower. "It is a surprising fact," says Prof. Houton, "that in my travels in all parts of the world, for the last ten years, I

have met more people having used Green's August Flower than any other remedy, for dyspepsia, deranged liver and stomach, and for constipation. I find for tourists and salesmen, or for persons filling office positions, where headaches and general bad feelings from irregular habits exist, that Green's August Flower is a grand remedy. It does not injure the system by frequent use, and is excellent for sour stomachs and indigestion. Sample bottles free at A. K. Leonard's. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.

THE ORDER OF ELKS.

Temporary Organization Made in Norfolk Saturday Evening.

A meeting for the temporary organization of a lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Norfolk, was called to order in the dining room of the Oxnard hotel Saturday evening, January 5, 1901, at 8:30 by W. B. Taylor of Omaha, district deputy for Nebraska.

After extended remarks by Mr. Taylor on the objects and purposes of the order and suggestions as to procedure, a temporary organization was perfected by the election of the following named officers:

A. J. Durland, chairman. E. H. Tracy, secretary. W. H. Baeholz, treasurer.

Upon motion the following committees were appointed: Executive—Geo. A. Brooks, Chas. E. Green, and Geo. H. Spear.

Banquet—H. H. Patterson, Otto Tappert and Burt Mapes.

Reception—W. N. Huse, P. H. Salter, Ralph Brasch, F. J. Cashin, C. D. Jenkins, Woods Cones, A. K. Leonard, Ed Wallerstadt, Geo. A. Brooks, E. H. Lutzart, J. B. Maylard, R. Y. Appleby, Otto Tappert, W. R. Johnson, C. F. Coffee, B. L. Scovel, Ed Gerecke, W. A. Connolly, J. N. Bundick, Geo. Moeller.

The following committee was appointed to make arrangements for the use of a hall for installation night only: J. B. Maylard, W. N. Huse, Burt Mapes.

A list of signers to the petition for charter, consisting of 100 names, was read and referred to District Deputy Taylor and the executive committee for approval.

A meeting was called for Friday evening, January 18, at the Oxnard hotel, for the purpose of nominating permanent officers.

The time of installation, while not definitely fixed, will probably be Saturday evening, January 26.

The meeting adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

WESTERN DESPERADO.

Reported Death of "Doc" Middleton Recalls Incidents of His Life.

The following interesting account of an early day Nebraska desperado is contained in a special from Edgemont, S. D.:

The report circulated in some of the Black Hills papers of the death of "Doc" Middleton, one of the best known old time desperadoes, who resides at Ardmore, south of this city, is without foundation. Middleton, is very much alive. He now keeps a saloon at Ardmore and is living a peaceful life.

Middleton will soon celebrate the tenth anniversary of his "peaceable" life. He has not carried a weapon of any kind for ten years, for he knows that his temper is not to be trusted and he stands in fear of himself.

David C. Middleton was at one time the captain of one of the most terrifying bands of desperadoes that ever infested a western country. In the early eighties his hold-up-of-stage-coaches and his horse stealing kept the entire western part of Nebraska in a constant state of excitement. His daring deeds have been the foundation for hundreds of sensational western novels. Middleton served sentences in different penitentiaries for various crimes committed, and was at last pardoned. His health was broken down on account of his exposure and wounds received in his conflicts, and after his pardon he settled down at Ardmore in the saloon business.

He has a family, and is said to be devoted to his wife and children.

Doc Middleton came to Ogallala, Neb., in 1876. His first violent deed was done in a saloon in that city, when he shot and killed a soldier. The soldier attempted to stamp the life out of Middleton, and when flat on his back on the saloon floor Middleton drew his revolver and shot the soldier dead. Middleton fled for his life, and successfully evaded the most vigilant efforts to catch him. Had he given himself up and stood trial he would have been acquitted, for it was undoubtedly in self defense that he killed the soldier. With the feeling of an outcast he avoided civilization of any sort, and it was not long before he had organized the famous Doc Middleton gang, which was the terror of good people for several years. It is believed that Middleton's orders were always to spare life. As a horse or cattle stealer his gang was notorious. Middleton is in poor health at present, although a comparatively young man.

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MONDAY MENTION.

A son was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hall.

S. M. Hawk of Plainview was a city visitor this morning.

School commenced this morning, after a two-weeks' holiday vacation.

W. E. Bishop and Woods Cones were visitors in the city Saturday from Pierce.

Fred Hellerman, son of Mr. and Mrs. August Hellerman, is also sick, but not seriously.

Allen Kuhn has gone to Scribner to accept a position in the F. E. & M. V. round house.

Workmen are preparing the chute by which the ice will be placed in the cold storage plant.

Col. E. H. Tracy departed last night for O'Neill, to be absent a week or ten days on business.

Mrs. Aug. Paul returned yesterday from a two-weeks' visit with relatives and friends at Emerson.

Miss Allison Searles, who has been visiting Norfolk friends for a week, left today for her home in St. Paul, Minn.

The Odd Fellows of Ponca have purchased the McCarthy block and will remodel the upper floor for lodge purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. David Kuhn will leave Wednesday for North Webster, Ind., where they will visit for four or five weeks.

There will be a special meeting of Trinity church guild at Mrs. Fox's on South Third street tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Congregational church will meet at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. Erskine.

A. Parmelee of Beatrice, and old time Iowa friend of E. A. Bullock, has been in the city for several days pricing the Hamstreet stock of hardware.

The Madison Star estimates the public improvements made in that city during 1900 to be \$20,634, besides there were a large number of improvements to private property.

Miss Josephine Butterfield returned at noon to Chicago to re-enter school. She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Butterfield, who will visit in Chicago and St. Louis.

The nomination of officers for the Y. M. C. L. for the ensuing six months will be held in the league rooms tonight at 8 o'clock. All active members are requested to be present.

The Northwestern Telephone company, with headquarters at Neligh, has filed articles of incorporation with Secretary of State Marsh. The capital stock of the company is \$10,000.

Martin Johnson, roadmaster of the F. E. & M. V. at Fremont fell on a pavement at Sioux City and sustained a fracture of one of the bones of the knee that may permanently cripple him.

C. F. W. Marquardt left at noon today for Chicago to attend the annual meeting of the Illinois Optical society which meets on January 9 and 10. While there he will take a post graduate course in the anatomy of the eye.

Rev. Arthur Fowler of Clearwater is expected today to take charge of the singing in the revival meetings at the Methodist church. The meetings this week will be held in the audience room instead of the lecture room.

At the morning service yesterday, Rev. J. J. Parker read his resignation as pastor of the First Congregational church, to take effect not later than June 1. While some members of the congregation knew that Mr. Parker contemplated this action, to many it came as a surprise.

Plainview News: Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Corell returned Saturday from their trip to Niles, Michigan. They were accompanied by their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Burt Vrooman, who will remain in Plainview for about two weeks before returning to their home at Dowagiac, Michigan.

Fremont Tribune: The second section of the west bound Union Pacific passenger train killed nine head of cattle near Valley this morning. The train was coming around a sharp curve, and it was impossible for the train to stop in time. Some persons were driving the cattle across the track and could not see the approaching train. The front of the engine was well besmeared with blood and pieces of beef when the train reached Fremont.

A Norfolk woman has figured out a scheme to beat the "ice trust" that works all right in the winter time. In the evening she fills a pan or other utensil with water and sets it outdoors. In the morning the water is frozen solid. She then warms the vessel until the ice loosens when she slides it into the chest and has clean, pure ice, for all household purposes. It is a simple method and yet everybody would not think of it.

It is now stated that the Elgin burglars, who were at first credited to Norfolk, made their headquarters near Snyder with the murderers of Zahn and that, when all together, the gang numbered 15 men and four women. The Snyder raid has undoubtedly successfully broken up the gang, but there are others in other parts of the state which should be scattered. Robbery, murder,

hold-ups and other crimes are becoming altogether too frequent in the state.

St. Paul Republican: A gruesome story was circulated on the streets the latter part of last week to the effect that the body of Kirk Stevens had been found with the skull crushed and a log chain around the neck in the river near Palmer. All efforts to confirm the report have failed and it is now safe to brand it a fake. The Shelton Clipper says that a similar story was circulated in that town week before last but proved to be unfounded. It is reported that J. M. Guy, father-in-law of the missing man, has increased the reward for his body from \$500 to \$800.

BUSINESS CHANGE.

G. E. Moore, Formerly of Narka, Kansas, Purchases the Hardware Business of O. D. Hamstreet.

From Tuesday's Daily. A deal has been consummated whereby G. E. Moore, who came here last October from Narka, Kansas, comes into possession of the hardware business conducted for about four years by O. D. Hamstreet in the Ebley block. Mr. Moore has taken possession and hopes to move the stock, about the first of February, into the Robertson block, lately occupied by the Fisher hardware stock. Mr. Moore hopes to retain the services of Mr. Hamstreet, who, during his residence in Norfolk, has gained a host of friends among the people of the city and vicinity.

Although Mr. Moore has never before been engaged in the hardware business he has a wide business experience and capacity, which, with his pleasing personality, augurs well for his success in his present undertaking. At Narka he was engaged in the banking business and had a large number of friends won by honest and conservative business methods.

For more than six years before going to Narka he was a resident of Filley, this state, and was cashier of the Filley bank. There also he had a host of friends who regretted his removal from that town exceedingly. He was a prominent worker in Christian organizations there and left behind him a reputation for public enterprise.

While laboring under the disadvantages of his location, Mr. Hamstreet has built up a very good trade and there are many who will regret to see him retire from the business and will be pleased that he has consented to remain with Mr. Moore for an indefinite period.

The new proprietor will undoubtedly be given a cordial reception to Norfolk business circles with the wish that his venture may prove profitable to him as well as the citizens generally.

WARNERVILLE.

Born, Monday, December 31, to Mr. and Mrs. John Conley, a son.

Oscar Peterson went to Iowa last week to visit his parents.

Mrs. O. M. Moore went to Pierce last week to visit friends.

W. P. Rowlett and his father started for Seward county, overland, last Saturday to visit relatives.

F. A. Killmer and family have moved into W. E. Gillespy's farm house, two miles southeast of town.

Ray Herrington has rented Aleck Snider's farm for the ensuing year and will take possession March 1.

Miss May Morris, who has been visiting her brother, Harry, the past two weeks, left for Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, last Saturday, where she expects to spend the winter with her brother, M. R. Morris.

Ray Herrington and Miss Lillie Brown were united in the holy bonds of matrimony Tuesday afternoon, January 8, by the Rev. Main of Norfolk. Their many friends in this vicinity wish them much happiness.

Try Planting Speltz.

E. C. Parker living south of town, last season made an experimental test of the new grain known as speltz. He secured the seed from Minnesota, which cost him \$1.50 a bushel, and two bushels sowed one acre. From this ground he raised 62 1/2 bushels, thus getting a profitable crop from one acre of ground. Mr. Parker planted ten acres this fall and has every prospect of another good crop. Speltz resembles barley, and has a stalk like wheat which cattle relish as much as hay. It can be planted in either fall or spring. If planted in the fall it makes fine winter pasture for cattle. It withstands the drought, and farmers may find speltz a profitable change from the regular routine of crops.—Hebron Journal.

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Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature, who will call at A. K. Leonard's, will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person and none to children without order from parents.

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DOCTORS CHOOSE OFFICERS.

Elkhorn Valley Medical Society Held Annual Meeting at the Oxnard.

From Wednesday's Daily. The Elkhorn Valley Medical society held a very interesting session yesterday afternoon and evening in the parlors of the Oxnard hotel. An important part of the proceedings was the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following being chosen:

P. H. Salter, Norfolk, president. J. P. Gilligan, O'Neill, first vice president.

H. L. Kindred, Mendon Grove, second vice president.

A. L. Muirhead, Winside, secretary. W. H. Hagey, Norfolk, treasurer.

Several interesting papers were read and the members made instructive reports of cases. Drs. Kalper of Pierce, Aiken of Omaha and Hildreth of Lyons, who were on the program for papers, were unable to be present but had sent their papers in and they were read.

After the evening session the doctors partook of an oyster supper at Eberhart's restaurant, which was thoroughly enjoyed.

Letter List.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice January 7, 1901:

W. E. Burke, Mrs. L. H. Brown, Geo. L. Blackesley, Mrs. Mary Ellsworth, Mrs. S. E. Fitch, Rev. G. F. Graner, Miss Hattie Jones, Mrs. A. M. Lee, A. W. Martin, Bertha Marshall (2), Miss Eunice Richardson, Maud Statler, Lizzie Stewart, Nicolas Schaefer, John Williams.

If not called for in 30 days will be sent to the dead letter office.

Parties calling for any of the above please say advertised.

P. F. SPRECHER, P. M.

Farming in Colorado and New Mexico.

The Denver & Rio Grande railroad, "The Scenic Line of the World," has prepared an illustrated book upon the above subject, which will be sent free to farmers desiring to change their location.

This publication gives valuable information in regard to the agricultural, horticultural and live stock interests of this section, and should be in the hands of everyone who desires to become acquainted with the methods of farming by irrigation. Write S. K. Hooper, G. P. & T. A., Denver, Colo.

It is a happy new year for the coal men thus far.

Notice.

To Marie Alwine Louise Verges, non-resident defendant, will take notice that on the 12th day of November, 1898, Ferdinand Verges, now deceased, filed his petition in the district court of Madison county, Nebraska, against Herman Gerecke, Sarah E. Gerecke, and the Citizens National bank of Norfolk, Nebraska, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain contract executed by the defendant, Herman Gerecke, and the said Ferdinand Verges, now deceased, for the sale of the following described premises, situated in said county, from the said Ferdinand Verges, now deceased, to the said defendant, Herman Gerecke, viz: Commencing at a point fifty-five rods east and two rods north of the southwest corner of the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-two, in township twenty-four, north of range one, west of the sixth principal meridian, and measuring from thence north fifteen rods, thence west fifteen rods, thence north three rods, thence west nine rods, thence north twelve rods, thence east one rod and twenty-two links, thence north nine rods and thirteen links, thence east five rods and twenty links, thence south twenty-eight degrees and eight minutes east fourteen rods and two links, thence east seven rods and nine and one half links to the right of way of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad, thence along said right of way south fifteen degrees and fifty minutes east twenty-eight rods and two links, thence west fifteen rods and ten links to the place of beginning, containing four acres and thirty-five and one half square rods, more or less, which property is used as a brick yard for the manufacturing of brick; said contract being dated March 20th, 1893, and providing that the said defendant, Herman Gerecke, should pay to plaintiff as purchase price therefor the sum of \$1,000.00 as follows: \$150.00 December 31st, 1893; \$150.00 July 1st, 1894; \$150.00 July 1st, 1895; \$1080.00 December 31st, 1895; \$40.00 July 1st, 1896; \$1040.00 December 31st, 1896, with interest at the rate of eight per cent, per annum from date, payable semi-annually, and in default thereof, said contract should be null and void, and plaintiff would be entitled to the possession of said property, that default has been made in the payment of part of said sums of money and there is now due upon said contract the sum of \$2800.00 with interest from this date at the rate of eight per cent per annum, for which sum with interest, plaintiff prays for a decree, that defendants be required to pay same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

On the 19th day of November, 1900, by order of the court, Anton Bucholz as executor of the last will and testament of Ferdinand Verges, deceased, was made plaintiff in said action and on the 23rd day of November, 1900, the defendant Herman Gerecke, filed a supplemental petition, under which by order of the court, on the 24th day of November, 1900, Minnie Marie Albertine Verges, Anna Emilie Verges, Carl Johann Hermann Verges and Marie Alwine Louise Verges, heirs of the said Ferdinand Verges, deceased, were made parties defendants in said action.

You are required to answer said petitions and answer and cross petitions filed in said case on or before the 21st day of January, 1901.

Dated this 8th day of December, 1900. ANTON BUCHOLZ, Executor of the last will and testament of Ferdinand Verges, deceased, plaintiff. Mapes & Hazen, attorneys.



Every woman loves to think of the time when a soft little baby, all her own, will nestle in her bosom, fully satisfying the yearning which lies in the heart of every good woman. But yet there is a black cloud hovering about the pretty picture in her mind which fills her with terror. The dread of childbirth takes away much of the joy of motherhood. And yet it need not be so. For sometimes there has been upon the market, well-known and recommended by physicians, a liniment called

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