



FIRE SALE!

\$20,000 WORTH of DRY GOODS and SHOES

Damaged by fire and smoke. A satisfactory adjustment with the insurance companies enables us to offer our goods at prices not likely to be named soon again. It will pay you to come miles to attend this sale. Below we submit a few prices:

Dress Goods.	Capes and Jackets	Ladies' Now blue, braid trimmed, worth \$12.00 now	Shoes at Bargain Prices.	Underwear.
Black Silk Crepon, beautiful goods for suits.....\$2.40	Go at at One-Half Former Price.	Ladies' New blue, mixed, worth \$10.00 now.....6.90	Ladies' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....\$2.69	Men's extra heavy fleeced.....\$.35
Black Silk Crepon, beautiful goods for suits.....2.19	Ladies' Jackets that were \$15.00, now \$7.50	Ladies' New blue and black Storm Serge worth \$8.00 now.....4.99	Ladies' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....2.39	Men's heavy double fleeced......29
Black Silk Crepon, beautiful goods for suits.....1.78	Ladies' Jackets that were 12.50, now 6.25	Yarns	Ladies' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....2.19	Ladies' wool gray Union Suits.....1.06
Black Silk Crepon, beautiful goods for suits.....1.23	Ladies' Jackets that were 10.00, now 5.00	Best Saxony Yarn, black, white and colors.....5c	Ladies' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....1.98	Ladies' extra heavy cotton ribbed fleeced......48
The Best Fine Black Surah Serge.....1.68	Ladies' Jackets that were 8.00, now 4.00	Angora Yarn, white and colors.....7 1/2c	Ladies' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....1.49	Ladies' extra heavy cotton ribbed fleeced......25
Fine Black Surah Serge.....1.19	Ladies' Jackets that were 7.50, now 3.75	Best German Knitting Yarn.....19c	Ladies' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....1.19	Ladies' extra heavy cotton ribbed fleeced......24
Fine Black Surah Serge......99	Ladies' Jackets that were 6.50, now 3.25	Reduced Prices on all Fur Capes, Collarettes, Muffs and Children's Sets.	Misses' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels.....1.24	Misses' and Children's heavy cotton fleeced......24
Fine Black Surah Serge......76	Ladies' Jackets that were 5.00, now 2.50	Ribbons.	Misses' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels......98	Hosiery.
Extra Heavy Bright Luster Sicilian......69	Ladies' Jackets that were 4.00, now 2.00	1 and 5 inch wide Ribbon.....7c	Misses' fine Vici Kid Lace Shoes, new toes and heels......49	Ladies' extra fine "Hermesdorf" black.....25c
Extra Heavy Bright Luster Sicilian......64	Ladies' Jackets that were 3.00, now 1.50	1 and 2 inch wide Ribbon, very nice for fancy work.....4c	Boys' strong School Shoes.....1.59	Ladies' extra fine "Hermesdorf" black.....18c
Extra Heavy Bright Luster Sicilian......71	Ladies' Jackets that were 2.50, now 1.25	1 and 2 inch wide Ribbon, check and stripe, very nice for fancy work.....5c	Boys' strong School Shoes.....1.48	Ladies' extra fine fleeced.....10c
Extra Heavy Bright Luster Sicilian......54	Ladies' Capes that were \$16.00, now 8.00	Plain edge Baby Ribbon.....1c	Boys' strong School Shoes.....1.19	Ladies' seamless fast black.....7c
Popular Venetian Cloths, latest colors.....1.19	Ladies' Capes that were 12.50, now 6.25		Boys' strong School Shoes......98	Children's fine ribbed black, all sizes.....23c
Popular Venetian Cloths, latest colors......99	Ladies' Capes that were 10.00, now 5.00		Boys' strong School Shoes......98	Children's fine ribbed black, all sizes.....18c
Popular Venetian Cloths, latest colors......86	Ladies' Capes that were 7.50, now 3.75			Children's fine ribbed black, all sizes.....14c
Popular Venetian Cloths, latest colors......69	Ladies' Capes that were 6.50, now 3.25			Children's heavy ribbed seamless, all sizes.....9c
Popular Venetian Cloths, latest colors......79	Ladies' Capes that were 5.00, now 3.25			Children's heavy ribbed seamless, all sizes.....4c
Novelty Fancy Mixtures......68	Ladies' Capes that were 3.25, now 1.65			
Novelty Fancy Mixtures......61	Ladies' Capes that were 2.50, now 1.25			
Novelty Fancy Mixtures......49	All Misses' and Children's Jackets at one-half former price.			
Novelty Fancy Mixtures......38	Ladies' Tailor Suits.			
Novelty Fancy Mixtures......18	Ladies' grey and brown Mixed Home-spun worth \$15.00 now.....\$9.90			
Plain and Fancy 1/2 Wool Cashmere......14	Ladies' Castor colored fine Broadcloth worth \$18.00 now.....11.38			
Plain and Fancy 1/2 Wool Cashmere......09	Ladies' Castor colored and grey Venetian worth \$11.00 now.....9.62			
Double Fold Fancy Cotton Suitings......09				
All our Dress Silks, Waist Silks and Trimming Silks Marked Down.				

The Norfolk News

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Only that which is worth keeping is worth getting

Iron and steel and other raw materials used in the construction of farm machinery are from 50 to 60 per cent higher than they were a year ago.

Abraham Lincoln proved his wisdom when he said: "The right of free thought, free speech and a free press are eternal principles. My administration must win upon its own merits; not by subjugation nor oppression."

Books are kept in the railway stations in Russia in which travelers may enter any complaints they desire to make. If the Russians are as fault-finding as average American travelers, these volumes must be both bulky and numerous.

The government is now spending \$3,000,000 a year in educating the Indians. In 1877 the first appropriation was made by congress for this purpose. There has been an indisputable advance in the condition of the Indians during the past quarter of a century. Under the allotment of lands nearly 60,000 of them now have homes of their own. Where they are justly treated they live peacefully and we can reasonably expect that Indian wars are a thing of the past.

The usual South Platte brand of generosity is manifested in the arrangement of the program for the Nebraska State Teachers' association which is to be held at Lincoln on December 26, 27, 28 and 29. From a perusal of the assignments it would seem as though Lincoln and Omaha composed about half of the state, while the country south of the Platte river has credit for being nearly all the rest of it. There are 104 topics assigned, of which Omaha teachers get 18, Lincoln 26, the South Platte country outside of Lincoln 37, while all the rest of the state has 13, and these all of a secondary character. If the manipulators of the State Teachers' association are so confident that Omaha, Lincoln and the South Platte are the only things that ever happened in Nebraska, why do they continue the farce of calling it a state association?

Wagon Prices Advance.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—An advance in prices by all wagonmakers was advocated today at a meeting of the National Wagonmakers' association, and it is probable that before the meeting finally adjourns an advance of at least 10 per cent will be made. Over 50 representatives of leading firms throughout the country were present at the meeting.

Bryant Is Packing Up.

LINCOLN, Dec. 21.—Deputy Insurance Commissioner Bryant is packing up to go home and he and his staff will close the office. Under the decision of the supreme court the office of deputy commissioner of insurance is wiped out and insurance business will be handled in the office of the auditor as before the law was effective.

By the Overturning of a Lamp.

MARYVILLE, MO., Dec. 21.—Four buildings and their contents were destroyed by fire at Maitland, Holt county, last night. The losses were: John Freeland, two buildings, \$2,000; William M. Carr, publisher of the Maitland newspaper, \$1,000; C. O. Kendrick, building, \$900; J. E. Stone, building, \$1,200.

The Weather.

Conditions of the weather as recorded for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. today:

Maximum temperature.....	48
Minimum temperature.....	8
Average.....	28
Precipitation.....	.00
Total precipitation for month.....	.69
Barometer.....	29.88

Forecast for Nebraska: Fair tonight and Friday. Warmer west and central portions tonight.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate are reported by Chester A. Fuller, manager of the Madison county abstract office at Norfolk:

F. J. Hale and wife to Howard Miller Lumber Co. wd. lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 block 26
Kimball and Blairs addition to Battle Creek.....\$1,000 00

Deafness Cannot be Cured.

By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused

by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give one hundred dollars for any case of deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

F. E. & M. V. R. R.—Holiday Excursion Rates.

Excursion tickets will be sold on December 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, and January 1, at one fare for the round trip to any station on the line within a distance of 200 miles, good to return until January 4, 1900.

H. C. MATRAU, Agent.

Beautiful women everywhere owe their matchless loveliness to the use of Rocky Mountain Tea. Plain women made attractive by this great remedy. Ask your druggist.

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On account holiday excursion the C. St. P. M. & O. Ry., will sell to all stations in Nebraska at one fare for round trip on December 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 1899, and January 1, 1900; return good on or before January 2, 1900.

F. W. JUNEMAN, Agent.

Contest Notice—Original.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, O'Neill, Nebraska, December 19, 1899.—A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by William T. Ferguson, contestant, against T. C. entry 4175, made July 29, 1890, for w. 1/2 ne 1/4 section 14, township 23, range 1 w. by Luna B. Gates contestee, in which it is alleged that said Gates has failed to break or cause to be broken five acres of said tract during the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 years of said entry up to date; that said Gates has failed to plant or cause to be planted to trees, tree-seeds or cuttings five acres of said tract during any of said years except in the year of 1895, which trees have never been cultivated and have died out for want of cultivation and care. That said failures still exist. Said party is hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on February 9, 1900, before the register and receiver of the United States land office in O'Neill, Nebraska.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed December 19, 1899, set forth facts which show that after due diligence, personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed, that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

S. J. WEEKES, Register.

We have for sale land in 80, 55, 40, 10 and 5 acre plots—all at a bargain. Call and see us. We are also agents for the

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Are your nerves weak? Can't you sleep well? Pain in your back? Lack energy? Appetite poor? Digestion bad? Boils or pimples? These are but some of the results of constipation. If the contents of the bowels are not removed from the body each day, as nature intended, poisonous substances are sure to be absorbed into the blood, always causing suffering and frequently causing severe disease. There is a common-sense cure.

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They daily insure an easy and natural movement of the bowels. Price, 25c a box. All druggists.

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- Clocks, Diamond Rings, Opal and Other Stone Rings, Plain and Engraved Rings, Scarf Pins, Sterling Silver Novelties, silverware, Chains, Charms, Lockets, Brooches, Buttons, Ear-rings, Bracelets, Gold Spectacles, Gold Pens,

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