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CAPITAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Items of Interest From a Star Representative on the Ground.

PIERRE, JANUARY 31.—Senator Schamber was very much disappointed today over the defeat of his bill to repeal the dog tax law. He declared that it was unconstitutional and unjust. "A stain upon our statute books." Considerable sport was created over the bill, Senator Foote trying to help out Senator Schamber in his humorous way remarked, while a rising vote was being taken upon the adoption of the committee report, "give us a show to raise dogs." But they will have to continue to be raised under a protective duty.

Senator McGee has a bill that increases the salary of the supreme court judges to \$3,000, and circuit court to \$2,500. Plaintiffs, before beginning suit in the supreme court, must pay \$200, and in circuit court \$100, which amounts go into the salary funds of the respective courts.

The bill providing that the warden of the penitentiary should transport prisoners from their respective counties to the penitentiary, through his deputies, was killed in the senate today through the efforts of Senator Rice, who made a very effective speech against the bill.

In the house Mr. Reid of Campbell introduced a bill providing for the exemption from taxation for five years all new lines of railroads.

In the senate Mr. Wright introduced a bill raising the age of consent to 21 years.

Bill No. 85, petitioning congress to permit settlers on the Sisseton and Mahpeton reservations to prove up under the homestead act, passed.

Two measures of considerable importance to the people of the Black Hills, came up.

One was Mr. Hare's bill requiring stockmen to advertise the time and place of the spring roundup for four weeks prior to the event. This passed without opposition after a forcible presentation of the subject by the author.

The bill introduced by Mr. Ammerman of Pennington county, reducing the per diem of the county commissioners of Pennington and Custer from \$5 to \$3 was reported back favorably by the committee, and will unquestionably pass within a few days.

EXCURSION TO THE HILLS.

One Already Planning of Much Magnitude For Teachers and Their Friends.

Geo. Schlosser, who has charge of the proposed excursion of teachers to the Black Hills the coming summer, announces that the greatest interest is already being taken therein. Teachers and their friends will congregate in Sioux City, leaving that point by special train which will land them at Hot Springs. It is believed the excursion will be one of the most popular of the approaching season. A large party from Aberdeen will no doubt avail themselves of the opportunity it will afford to study a section of the state so radically differing in natural features and environments from the eastern part of the state. The trip will not be for pleasure and recreation alone, but as well for the new fund of practical information that can easily be acquired.

Great Disaster at Sea.

The Nord-Deutscher-Lloyd passenger steamer Elbe was sunk in the North sea Thursday and about only 21 out of 350 persons on board are reported to have been saved. Among the lost is the name of Mrs. Milton C. Connors of Spearfish who spent a month or two in this city for her health two years ago. Her name appears on the passenger list, but it has been pointed out that she was traveling with her husband who had made a journey to Europe for the benefit of his health, and that his name does not appear among the passengers. From this the inference is drawn that possibly there may be some mistake as to Mrs. Connors having taken passage on the Elbe at all.

Public School Report.

For week ending February 1, 1895.

TEACHER	BOYS	GIRLS	PRESENT	ABSENT	PERCENT
Miss Allen	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Miss Lampert	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Miss Berg	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Miss Boyd	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Miss Dudgeon	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Mrs. Walker	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Miss Shumate	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Mr. Kling	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Total	273	268	16		

H. F. KLING, Principal.

THE STRONG POINT about the cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla is that they are permanent. They start from the solid foundation—Pure Blood.

Some Interesting Developments.

The STAR is in a position to prove just what it says and does not back down an inch from its assertions in its last issue. We have had several other cases brought to our notice where reputable persons are ready to swear that the member of that honored profession who came back at us yesterday has been guilty of work of the same character. It is safe to say he will soon be in the clutches of the law and that he may receive his just deserts not only in this case but others that have resulted more seriously. The doctors and the ladies of the W. C. T. U. are after the doctor and they will probably handle him without gloves. Meanwhile the girl in question cannot be found, although diligent search has been made for her. The letter written by her to her sister is probably burned up by some of Cheney's friends but fortunately its contents are known and can be sworn to and those who helped to destroy it may be brought into it too. Julia, sister of the girl, in being examined before the district attorney this afternoon, said that the letter stated that she was quite sick, had one operation performed by Dr. Cheney and he expected to perform another that night. Julia also stated that she met Dr. Cheney in front of his office and he told her Vic, her sister, had a tumor in her and that he intended to perform an operation on her, but said "For Heaven's sake, don't tell anybody about it or we'll all go to the pen. Be sure that you don't tell anybody and I'll bring Vic out all right." There were seven persons present who heard this and other important evidence and it was corroborated by another important witness.

TAYLOR IN SOUTH AMERICA.

The Defaulting Treasurer Has Made Good His Escape.

A Pierre telegram of the 31st inst. says: W. W. Taylor, the defaulting state treasurer of South Dakota, is far away in South America. Just before the default he was heard from at Chicago, where he was in close consultation with Lawyer Tenney. Then he disappeared and was seen by former South Dakotans at St. Louis and at Memphis, where he is believed to have been arrested January 10. A brother-in-law is said to have been with him and in some way he induced the chief of police to release him. The next heard of Taylor was at Pensacola, Fla., where he is believed to have taken passage on a steamer for South America. Before he left, however, a letter, postmarked Pensacola, was received here. It is thought that Taylor was headed for New Orleans, but the arrest at Memphis changed his plans.

The A. O. U. W. Balls.

The A. O. U. W. and the degree of honor connected with the organization are making arrangements to give a grand ball and supper in the court house on the night of the 22nd of February. They propose to make it one of the most elaborate affairs of the kind ever given in the city. Mr. Neesen, who is a professional florist and decorator, and who is one of the charter members of Lodge No. 1 of Illinois, has been engaged to do the work and the court room will be most handsomely decorated with evergreen designs and emblems of the order. The price for tickets to the ball proper will be \$1.00, and the ladies of the Degree of Honor will serve supper in the large hall down stairs at 25 cents per meal. The receipts for the former will go into the A. O. U. W. fund and from the supper to the Degree of Honor. The STAR hopes they may make it a big success.

An Old Timer, Here.

Jim Wheeler, salesman for the celebrated Glen rock coal, was in the city Monday making arrangements for booming the sale of that excellent product and made us a pleasant call. He says he passed through this valley during the month of September 1877, while freighting from Sidney to Deadwood, when there was not a soul here. He with two companions, instead of following the outfit through the old Red Canyon trail, made a detour through this valley on an elk hunt and killed three elk about where the plunge bath now stands. Mr. Wheeler is doing some efficient advertising for the company and we acknowledge the receipt of a box of lead pencils bearing the brand of the Glen Rock coal; also note books and blotters, appropriately decorated.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to extend our sincere thanks to neighbors and friends for their kindly ministrations and heartfelt sympathy extended to us during the sickness and death of our darling baby. MR. AND MRS. W. R. CASTLE.

CAPITAL CLATTER.

Black Hills Statesmen Among the Most Active Legislators.

PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA, Feb. 2. There have been more ideas advanced through bills introduced in the legislature for better security to public funds, in state and county, than could be crowded into several columns of the STAR. The latest is a bill in the senate by Senator Wilson, and in the house by Representative Hair, requiring the state treasurer to give a bond of \$10,000 in some responsible guaranty company, besides the regular surety through bondsmen; and requiring county treasurers to give \$5,000 bonds through a responsible guaranty company, besides their regular sureties as otherwise provided by law. The state and county is to pay the premium for securing these additional guaranty bonds. It is argued that guaranty companies are so strict in their requirements that no keeper of public funds, if by them guaranteed, could possibly become a defaulter through dishonesty or carelessness. Out of the many plans advanced it is altogether likely that some legislation will be obtained compelling rigid care of public funds. In this respect Taylor's default may have a salutary effect, though it was an expensive inducement for more protection.

Representative Dickover has advanced quite an original plan for urging upon congress the demands of the west regarding financial legislation. He has accordingly introduced a joint resolution for the appointment of a joint committee of three from each branch of the legislature to draft a memorial to congress urging such financial legislation as is deemed necessary to revive the paralyzed interests of the country. The joint committee is also to memorialize the legislatures of other western states to unite with South Dakota in memorializing congress for such financial legislation. Such action would at least show the unanimous sentiment of the west upon this very important subject. The joint resolution was introduced in the house Friday and under suspension of the rules was read the second and third times and passed; sent to the senate where it passed through the same course and became a law. That's "railroading" legislation in great shape, and Mr. Dickover will probably not be outdone during the session in rushing legislation through.

It is hardly probable that any radical railroad legislation will be enacted at this session. The sentiment among members of the legislature is quite general against it for the reason that the railroads have undoubtedly been operating at a loss, or nearly so, for the past two or more years in the eastern part of the state, and any reduction in rates at this time would very likely cause almost a suspension of traffic, or to such an extent as to be a great drawback to the state. Even now many roads in this part of the state are running "mixed" trains, and only one train a day at that—"up one day and back the next." Hence it is regarded that railroad legislation is out of the question, though it is probable that the railroad commissioners will be given greater powers, which they should have in order to be of service to the people in the capacity of a board of arbitration, which they virtually are, between the people and railroads.

Representative Hair, of Butte county, is the author of a bill fixing the rates for the rental of telephones and for charges for messages. The same bill has been introduced in the senate by Senator Wilson. It provides that no company or corporation shall charge more than \$4 per month for a telephone instrument in a business place having privileges of the complete circuit, or \$3 per month for residences with the same privileges. Single messages are to be not more than 25 cents each to any point upon the circuit. This bill will only affect the Black Hills telephone company, for telephone companies in the eastern portion of the state charge only from \$2 to \$3 per month. It will very likely become a law, and will doubtless be appreciated by Black Hills people, and it is contended that a rate such as contemplated will increase the business of the telephone company to such an extent that it will prove financially beneficial to the company.

To Gardeners and Farmers.

We will sell you seeds for less than catalogue prices, saving you the freight and a per cent. All seeds fresh from the Nebraska Seed Co.

J. G. RICHER & Co.

We "clinch" 'em. Pall Jelly 35 cents at the BEE HIVE.

Miss Nobody.

The Pringles opened their weeks' engagement in the opera house in this city Monday night with the serio-comedy Miss Nobody. We are sorry to say the audience was a very small one, but this did not have any effect on the playing, as the company throughout carried out their parts as well as though the house had been packed. We have never heard Mr. Pringle before, but he certainly is one of the most thorough comedians that ever struck the town. He took his parts of Joseph Jefferson Jinks, the detective, and K. G. Hopper, the lightning rod peddler, in a manner that brought down the house. Richard Cregan made a typical Irishman and a dignified judge. S. A. Mitchell, who took the part of Norman Granville, is the weakest man in the company, if they have any weak points, though he took the part of a scheming, designing villain fairly well. Sadie Cregan, as Bess, although a light part was very nicely done. Lillian Dwyer took the part of Foeie admirably and could not have been excelled as a wail. She with Mr. Pringle are the strong members of the company. Miss Maude Roberts, the pianist, made excellent music, but was handicapped by having to play on an organ, as a piano could not be obtained. Taking the company altogether they make a first class show and deserve the liberal patronage of the theater going public.

A Disconsolate Bridegroom.

From Tuesday's Edition. Last week the STAR mentioned the fact that Merton Leacox, a young man of this city, had taken to himself a wife in the person of Nora Geneva Bailey of Custer. It was correct in the statement, but thereby hangs a tale. The sheriff of Custer county came down this morning and put Mr. Leacox under arrest and will take him back to that city tomorrow to answer to a serious charge. The charge is in effect, statutory rape, and complaint was sworn out by the bride, who it is said is just a little past thirteen years of age. The warrant was sworn out several days ago and the sheriff has been hunting Mr. Leacox, who successfully eluded him. Yesterday the bride and groom arrived in this city and both were here at the home of the groom's mother, when Leacox was arrested. It seems that the mother of the bride, who was anxious for the match, went with the couple to obtain their license and gave her assent thereto, positively declaring that the girl was fifteen years of age. There seems to be quite a hen on in the matter as both the mother and the bride declare that if this matter is pushed, it will be very interesting for a number of other young men in that locality and some one facetiously remarked that it may be the cause of the disbanding of the Custer guards.

Found Good Homes.

Mrs. Fred T. Evans received a letter from a gentleman, the head of one of the prominent families of Minnesota, enclosing the picture of one of the little girls of the Ferguson family, which she lately took so much interest in sending to the Orphans' home at Fargo. The little girl was adopted by the gentleman and he is very much wrapped up in her and writes to know something of her parents. Those who knew the little girl here would not recognize her in the picture. She is dressed elegantly, looks plump and hearty and is the picture of health and beauty. The other children have good homes with a well-to-do farmer of North Dakota, and are happy and contented. Mrs. Evans feels well repaid for the interest she took in the welfare of the little ones.

Wonderful—But It's Done Every Day.

Leave Hot Springs at 5:45 this morning via the Burlington and you reach Lincoln at 10:20 this evening; Omaha at 11:45 this evening; St. Joe at 5:10 tomorrow morning; Kansas City at 7:40 tomorrow morning; Chicago at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon and St. Louis at 4:45 tomorrow afternoon. Hours—whole hours—quicker than any other line. And the service is—well it's up to the Burlington's standard. You know what that is. Tickets and information at the B. & M. depot. 32nd St. H. T. CATLIN, Agent.

Notice.

Bids will be received at my office up to 12 M. Feb. 8, 1895 for the furnishing and delivering on the high school grounds 100 cords of good green body wood, cut four feet long; to be delivered on or before June 1895. All payments are to be made in school warrants. The board of education reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

HOT SPRINGS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, By W. A. WHEELER, Clerk.

The Cold Weather.

From Thursday's Edition. The oldest inhabitant in the country cannot remember weather as cold as it was last night and this morning. The thermometers stood all the way from 25 to 35 degrees below zero. On Tuesday night the weather was quite pleasant. During the night it turned cold and went to blowing and snowing and Wednesday it was disagreeably cold all day. The Elkhorn east bound train was stuck in the snow at Merri-man, and the train coming this way was tied up at Cody. The B. & M. went out at the regular time, 5:45 a. m. and laid at Edgemont all day waiting for the train on the main line. They expected to get in here by 4 o'clock but about that time the word came that it had been ditched about two miles this side of Edgemont, and the stub train came back with its passengers. The train was in the ditch all right, but it was a most fortunate accident. Every wheel of the entire train, except the hind truck of the sleeper, left the track and when the train came to a standstill the engine was fully forty feet from the track. How the big heavy engine could have gone bumping along over the ties and uneven ground without tipping over or hurting anyone is a great mystery, but it did so. A special track was built out to the train this morning and it was run back on track with not a cent's worth of damage. It came in at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Rapid reported 27 to 30 below; Lead, 20 Deadwood 22, and Sturgis 35 degrees below zero. The indications from the signal service are that it will be much warmer by tomorrow evening. Let it come.

A Great Disappointment.

W. B. Hayes, proprietor of the Smoke-etts news stand at the Evans, informs us that today his parents away back at Fairlee, Vermont, will celebrate their golden wedding. They have spent their entire married life of fifty years in the same house and have never been more than 125 miles from home during all that time. Mr. Hayes, senior, is 81 years of age and Mrs. Hayes is 70. It is a bitter disappointment to Mr. Hayes that he cannot be present on this memorable occasion. There are very few golden weddings celebrated and from what Mr. Hayes says, his parents are in good health and bid fair to spend a goodly number of years of married life together.

Elkhorn's New Train

Is conceded to be by far the most convenient for passengers both in and out of Hot Springs. Leaving for Deadwood and intermediate points at 6:10 and arriving at Deadwood at 11 a. m.; leaves for eastern, western and southern points at 7:35 p. m. making close connections at junctions with other roads. At Missouri Valley with C. & N. W. No. 6 which carries a dining car in which meals are served on "a la carte" plan, paying for what you get. Passengers can get supper after leaving Missouri Valley and breakfast going into Chicago on this plan.

Take the Elkhorn when going east and advise friends coming west to catch the Elkhorn flyer for quick time, best service and which arrives in Hot Springs at just the right hour, 8:05 a. m.

A. D. WOOD, Local Agent. J. R. BUCHANAN, G. P. A., Omaha.

Ten Acres Is Enough

To the man that knows where to go for it and how to farm it. Let me know your name and I will let you know where it is and how to get it.

CHARLES S. FEE, General Passenger Agent Northern Pacific Railroad, St. Paul, Minn.

Get your coal from Hulst & Price, Rouse (Colorado) coal, \$7.00 per ton; Cheyenne Canyon coal, \$6.00 per ton; Glen Rock coal, \$5.00 per ton.



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