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Local News.

Call on W. W. Cleft for hardware. 3w
J. Hale, of Telford, spent Thursday in the city.
The Victoria Sabbath school celebrated with a tree.
For bargains in groceries call on S. E. Forsha, St. Joe street.

Best quality No. 1 Manistee salt at Forsha's, St. Joe street.
Edward Smith, district attorney of Custer county, is in the city.
The new temporary capitol building at Pierre is nearly completed.

You can save money by buying your boots and shoes at the Bee Hive. 2w
L. E. Parish and Fred Jones, of Spring creek, called at this office on Monday last.

A thing of beauty is a joy forever—in large variety at Trowbridge's jewelry store. 2w

A full line of staple and fancy groceries at the lowest prices at Forsha's, St. Joe street.

The Box Elder tree and entertainment was a success. A large attendance.

For fine fresh candies and tree trimmings, go to Cobb & Co., St. Joe street. They lead them all.

Prof. Bailey will deliver his lecture, "America for Americans," at Sturgis on Thursday evening next.

Chris Thompson purchased on Saturday last of Nowlin and Wood ten lots in their addition north of town.

Fredric Brightman, aged nine, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brightman, of Hermosa, died on Friday last of diphtheria.

Buckwheat flour, clover honey, pure maple syrup and choice fruits all at reduced prices at Forsha's, St. Joe street.

Sheriff Boyd arrived from Nebraska Tuesday having in charge Bruce Dill, who ran away with a horse and buggy last week.

Patrick Barrett, of the Cheyenne river, made us a call Tuesday. He is up on land business and spent Christmas in the city.

You can get as square a meal at Spaulding's lunch room for 25 cents for other houses charge 35 and 50 cents for. Try them.

Mrs. E. B. Reed and family spent Christmas afternoon and evening with Mrs. Fred Christensen and family at Rockville.

Mrs. Dr. Whitfield, of this city, will deliver a lecture at Sturgis on Saturday evening. Subject: "Physiological Facts for Everyone."

New goods arriving at Trowbridge's jewelry store every day and they do say so cheap in price. Come early and select for Christmas. 2w

Otto Anderson called at this office Tuesday. He didn't expect much of a Christmas as his wife and children are east on a visit.

Bruce Dill, the man who went off to celebrate Christmas with Mr. Schrader's horse and buggy, has been captured at Rushville, Nebraska.

Mr. Smith has removed his restaurant to Main street opposite Shoemaker's stable, where he is prepared to serve meals at all hours.

A. C. and E. McDonald will hereafter enjoy a home circle. Their mother and sister arrived this week and will make their home in this city.

C. Wheelock and S. Clark were in the city Monday and Tuesday. From the loads they took out we predict a jolly Christmas for their little ones.

Turner & Price have the largest and best assortment of lumber of all kinds, windows, doors, moldings and other building material to be found in the Black Hills.

The young people of upper Spring creek celebrated at the residence of Lewis Eager Christmas night. There was a good turn-out and a genuine good time.

Why send away for clothing or furnishings goods when you can buy just as cheaply at home. They have just what you want and at "States" prices at the Bee Hive.

Remember that the Roller Rink is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings also Saturday afternoons. Good skates, good order and reasonable charges. Go and skate.

By the new time card which went into effect this week, the passenger train arrives in this city from the east at 6:55 a. m., leaving at 7:20. From the north it arrives at 4:35, p. m.

W. N. Conard, of Telford, has been in town the past week in the interest of "Poor's Automatic Steam Washer" which he manufactures and sells. The machine is very highly spoken of.

The entertainment last Friday evening netted \$97 in money, 7,000 pounds of flour, besides groceries, vegetables and clothing making a carload which was shipped to the Dakota suffers last Thursday.

Representative S. B. Miller, of Mead county, was in the city Thursday. He took the afternoon train for Ames, Iowa, where four of his brothers reside. After a short visit he will join the Black Hills delegation at Pierre.

It is a fact worth knowing that C. A. Trowbridge, the jeweler, sells Black Hills jewelry, watches, clocks and silverware cheaper than any store in the Black Hills country. Try me and be convinced. Repairing in all its branches.

Wm. Geary says: "The sickness among horses, principally on Dry creek, is caused from drinking alum water. Many watering holes in that locality are strongly impregnated with that mineral and the dry season has made the solution stronger, there being no rain to dilute." He cites a case of one person having horses in two bunches, the one running on Spring creek was not affected.

Rock salt for stock at Forsha's, St. Joe street.

A. C. McDonald has just returned from the East with a new and large stock of goods for his bargain counters. It has been necessary to remove the partition in the rear of the store to make room for them.

In uniting all of our departments under one management we can save expenses, thus enabling us to sell Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes and Clothing for less money than our competitors. It pays to buy goods at the Bee Hive. 2

J. M. Leedy left for Hot Springs last Thursday. He is very enthusiastic over the coal field there. The further the work progresses the better the showing. Mr. Leedy after a few days at the springs, leaves for Keuka, Florida, where he will spend the winter.

The Black Hills Boot and Shoe Store, recently opened at Sprando's old stand, on Main Street, is devoted exclusively to that trade, and will make better bargains than can be found elsewhere and furnish a stock to select from that is surpassed by none. Frank Lockwood salesman.

Hard times make close figuring. Every dollar must take the place of three. This you can make it do by going to McDonald's, St. Joe street. His bargain counters contain many articles of use as well as ornament. Call and examine their stock.

Christmas day passed very quietly in Rapid. Stores were open till noon. Few strangers were in town. All public houses served the regulation Christmas dinner. Services were held in the different churches. The weather was mild, more like spring than winter. The thermometer stood at about 60° at noon.

We learn from Mr. Gray, that there is much sickness among horses in the dry creek section, between Spring and Rapid creeks. A drowsiness is first noticed. They stand around and refuse to eat. Later there is a general stiffness and swelling of the glands of the throat. There has not been many deaths. Many attribute it to our mild weather.

The Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley Railroad (the Northwestern line) extends its pitious and friends a "Happy Christmas" and a "Happy New Year," and for the purpose of enabling them to visit their kin-folks during the holidays, will sell excursion tickets December 24th, 25th, 30th and January 1st, good returning until January 3d, at a rate of one fare for the round trip, between all stations within a two hundred mile limit. Any agent of the F., E. and M. V. R. R. will give full information as to the sale of tickets, limits etc.

All the different churches in the city were crowded Christmas eve with persons who had assembled to listen to the songs, recitations and to the prayers. The services were held in the different churches, and witness the joy of the little ones as they received their presents from old Santa Claus. The Christmas trees were all heavily laden with presents and the churches appropriately decorated for the occasion. The songs and recitations were admirably rendered and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. Each scholar of the different Sunday schools was the recipient of a present of some kind.

This has been considered an off year for corn in this section by most corn-raisers with whom we have talked, but one man—J. Bard, of Elk creek—claims he can prove to the contrary, and if, as we understand Mr. Bard, the sample displayed in the Lakota bank, is an average of his this year's crop of eighty ears, the claim is substantiated. It is of the white dent variety, good length ears and thoroughly matured. Mr. Bard is located one mile north of Elk creek on the first bench, and fifteen miles from the Cheyenne river. He attributes his success to deep ploughing.

Charles Ennor, who resides about six miles south of town on north side of the Box Elder valley, has made a fine beginning in the fruit line. Apple, pear and cherry trees have made a strong, healthy growth. Cherries, the second year from setting, bore fruit. Blackberries, raspberries and currants were thrifty and next season will be in bearing. Grapes and strawberries were also looking fine. His first purchase from eastern nurseries were winter killed, but the stock selected of Thompson & Hale all went through last winter in good shape. A nice growth of cottonwoods and maples will in time protect the orchard on the north and west.

Diphtheria.

Numerous remedies are given by different exchanges for cure or prevention of diphtheria. Where there is the least suspicion of the disease, a violent fever, and blotches in the throat of a dirty-white color, a competent physician should be at once summoned. In this country where many people are so far from town, simple remedies should always be in the house. Have a glass tube, or use a long quill, and common powdered sulphur. Dip the tube into the sulphur and having the patient open the mouth wide, blow on to parted effect. Repeat several times a day. Also fumigate by sprinkling sulphur on a live coal. For a few cents a can of tar can be purchased which is also highly recommended when used as a smudge and inhaled. These remedies are also good for common sore throat. Kerosene rubbed on the throat is also good. Syrup of ipecac should always be in the house for use in case of croup.

The Fire.

Christmas night at about 11:30 the alarm of fire was sounded. The fire companies and many citizens were promptly on hand. Flashes were issuing from the roof of Schleuning & Young's new packing house, and were very quickly subdued. The fire was caused by the joist being laid directly against the brick. There was only a single brick between the flue and the timber and the heat from the chimney dried the wood.

Several joists were badly charred and a small hole burnt through the roof of the building joining the flue to the joist and had the alarm come a little later or the least wind been blowing the whole frame roof on Main street would have gone.

COMMUNICATED.

RED EARTH NEWS.

The first month of school closed on the sixteenth with an average attendance of 11. There are now sixteen enrolled. Last Friday was rhetorical day and all did well.

An epidemic in the shape of a cold has been going the rounds. Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Richardson have been bed fast for a couple of days and Fred and Jesse Richards and Paul Murphy have been detained from school.

W. W. Robinson has built a new bedroom onto his house connecting the log and frame buildings. D. AUBONE.

LOWER SPRING CREEK.

The young people of this vicinity attended a social hop at the Overpeck ranch last Friday night and report a very enjoyable time.

The little granddaughter of Mr. Taylor is very sick with diphthery. Her condition is considered very dangerous.

The Sabbath school at the North Star school house will go into winter quarters after next Sunday.

J. C. McClelland is at Hayward doing assessment work on his tin claims.

Fred Jones, W. T. Buckingham, L. E. Parish and J. J. Parish returned from the Hills Saturday after a two weeks absence looking after their mining property.

CAMP WISE.

EDITOR UNION:—I thought perhaps as this is a new camp and not generally known that a few items might find room in your paper.

Camp Wise is a new tin camp on Squaw creek, eight miles east of Custer City, Custer county.

The camp is quite lively at present. There are a great many prospectors in the vicinity and make this burg their headquarters. A great many are here doing assessment work, also.

J. L. Buckingham, of Hermosa, was up looking after his mining interests in this locality.

Dan Wise and son have been in camp for some time.

Henry Morrow is working assessments on his property.

C. G. Parish, of Dennis, Fred Jones and W. T. Buckingham, of Spring creek, have been working assessments.

L. E. and J. J. Parish have been located here for the past two weeks building a house and an assessment work.

J. C. McClelland and M. Taylor, of Spring creek, have been in camp for a few days.

Will Arbuckle, of Rapid City, has been looking over the county and made a few locations. LO.

ROCKEVILLE NEWS.

The young people are out of school this week. Miss Rhoda and Charles Christensen attended the Christmas gathering at Victoria.

Mr. Whitfield is spending the week at his home in Rapid City.

School begins again on Monday next. There was not much of a turnout, at the Old Falls Library, last Wednesday night, but those present appeared to enjoy themselves. Miss Beattie read a selection, then followed the debate. Question, "Resolved that man is inclined to do right." Affirmative, J. R. Frost, Fred Christensen and Winter Frost. Negative, L. Huff, Ray Frost and Charles Christensen. After one round they had five minutes recess; then another round. There was good argument put forth on both sides. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. The mock trial held by this society last week was, we understand, very interesting. Not only the lawyers, but the audience were warmed by the subject, and the final charge was given in so strong and personal a manner as to cause a sudden adjournment. Trial will be concluded at Monday meeting.

THE SPEARFISH NORMAL SCHOOL.

EDITOR BLACK HILLS UNION:—In compliance with your request it gives me pleasure to furnish you with a brief history of the State Normal School located here.

During the legislative session of 1881 a bill was passed to establish a normal school at Spearfish, providing that a tract of land of not less than forty acres, adjacent to the town, be donated as a site within six months from the taking effect of the act. Through failure to secure the required ground, the law lapsed. During the session of 1883 the same bill was introduced and passed, and an appropriation of \$7,000 made for the erection of a building and the maintenance of the school for one year. This time the land was secured, and \$5,000 was expended in constructing one of the worst planned school buildings ever seen. The board secured the services of Prof. Van B. Baker, of Pennsylvania, as principal and the school was opened April 14, 1884. Prof. Baker took no interest in his work and soon displayed such a want of character that the attendance, which at first promised to be large, soon dwindled down to almost nothing and in January the school was closed. Meanwhile the legislature of 1885 appropriated \$5,000 for the maintenance of the school two years, and Governor Pierce appointed a new board composed of H. M. Greg and Albert Powers, of Spearfish, and Samuel Cushman, of Deadwood. On the 14th of September, 1885, the school opened for its second year under the present management with only fifteen students. At the close of the term, however, there were thirty-seven scholars in attendance. The next term the attendance increased to seventy, and Miss Zella Busian, a graduate of the state normal school at Winona, Minnesota, was employed as assistant.

A department of practice, where the pupil-teachers can observe the teaching and management of critic teachers of large experience and rare qualifications for the work and where they can themselves put in actual practice with classes of real children, the theories taught in normal school, being an essential feature

The Fancy Shot.

"Riflemen, shoot me a fancy shot
Straight at the heart of your prowling v-
dents:
Ring me a ball in the glittering spot
That shines on his breast like an amulet!"

"Ah, captain, here goes for a fine-drawn bead:
There's music around when my barrel's in
tune!"

Crack! went the rifle, the messenger sped,
And dead from his horse fell the ringing
dragoon.

"Now, rifeman, steal through the bushes and
snatch
From your victim some trinket to hansom first
blood—
A ring, a locket, or that lustrous patch
That gleams in the moon like a diamond
stud."

"Oh, captain! I staggered and sunk on my
knees
When I gazed on the face of that fallen vi-
vian
For he looked so like you as he lay on his
back
That my heart rose upon me and masters
me yet."

"But I snatched off the trinket, this locket of
gold
An locket from the center my lead broke its
way.
Scarce grazing the picture so fair to behold,
Of a beautiful lady in bridal array."

"Hail, rifeman, ring me the locket!" "Is she
young?
Was her husband? Hush, soldier, 'twas her
husband's
deceit."
We must bury him here, by the light of the
moon."

"But hark! the far bugles their warnings
give:
'Tis a virtue, weakness is sin:
Have been for a week and 'twas round us to-
night:
Lead on, rifeman, keep your hand in!"
—Charles Dawson Shanley, in Atlanta Consti-
tution.

The Spotter Folted For Once.

"Do you want to see a real 'spotter'
at work?" whispered a stout, ruddy-
faced surface car conductor to a re-
porter, whom he knew, as the latter
scrambled upon the rear platform of a
crowded, up-to-date passenger car. "Well,
then, notice that dandy-looking chap
in the far corner on the right-hand side
—the fellow with a book in his hand, I
mean."

The reporter casually glanced in the
direction indicated and saw a hand-
somer, dressed, intelligent-looking
young man who seemed to be deeply en-
grossed in the contents of a neatly-
bound copy of "Judith Shakespeare," the
pages of which he skimmed with the
rapidity of a veteran reviewer. He had
a pencil in his hand with which he frantically wrote something on the margin
or underlined sentences that struck his
fancy. There was so little of the imagi-
nary "spotter" about the youth's make-
up that the reporter turned to the fare-
goer again with a half incredulous
smile and asked him if he was not "off"
a little.

"Oh, no," replied the conductor, "not
an inch. I'm right on to that fellow and
I've been following him out about eight days
ago, and, of course, the word was quick-
ly passed along the line. Just watch
him yourself; you'll see how he makes
every time a passenger gets on? He got
on near the city hall and will probably
ride up to the stables with me, and if
my register does not tally with his
marks you may be sure I'll hear about
it. But I am not 'blowing in' anything
for my household expenses this trip.
You can't call this that he is working a
new dog exactly; it is but another
form of an old wrinkle. Sometimes they
keep account of the fares by turning
down the corners of the leaves of the
book which they pretend to read. Then
again they will come aboard with a
certain number of peanuts in their
pockets and eat one for each passenger
we take up, and the number left de-
ducted from the original is their tally
sheet. It does not take us long to get
on to these new devices, however, and
they have to keep inventing new
schemes to trap us all the time. A
few of these spotters are really smart;
they can watch us, keep tally, day after
day, and yet we are not able to find
them out. These use no outward ap-
pearance, however, but depend entirely
upon their memories, which are excel-
lent. One or two of them are women. I
understand. In my opinion it is getting
harder every day for every man to live
dishonestly in this town."

Just before the stables were reached
the young man shut the book, turned
toward the register, and got off the car
by the front door. The reporter followed
down a side street there was a look of
disappointment on his face that showed
he had taken at least one trip in vain.—
N. Y. Tribune.

WM. O. MARBLE!

Very truly yours,
F. L. Cook,
Principal Spearfish Normal School.

While unloading a team on St. Joe
street Friday noon, to feed, the driver
missed one tug, and as he led the
team from the wagon it followed, scar-
ing them badly. One horse broke loose
and running across to Main street, col-
lided with Mr. Burr's delivery rig run-
ning the shaft of the delivery wagon in-
to its breast two feet. A surer death
stroke could not have been made with a
knife. After running about ten rods fur-
ther the horse fell and soon expired.
The delivery horse broke loose and ran
down Main street opposite Ferguson's
stable he came in contact with a farm
wagon and left the delivery rig behind.
He was captured on Fifth street. The
horse killed belonged to Zach Holmes.

Our Markets.

Prices are about the same as given
last week. The new mill has taken what
wheat they can conveniently store at
present. They are ready to receive all
offered after January 1st. Are pay-
70 cents.

Hay has sold at \$6 to \$6.50. Oats
at 75 to 80 cents. Butter and eggs 20
to 25 in trade.

M. W. Roberts, of Red Earth favored
us with a call today. He is hauling pro-
duce to Hill City and reports following
prices: Hay \$18 to \$20. Potatoes
\$1.25. Butter 25 to 30 cents. Eggs
30 to 35 cents.

Mike Duree's mill on Box Elder was
destroyed by fire last Thursday evening.
Mr. Duree had been at work there until
about eight o'clock. The room in which
they sleep faces the mill and the light
from the fire awoke them. Before they
reached the building the flames had en-
tire possession. The mill contained at
time of fire about 1500 bushels of wheat
and two tons each of corn and flour.
There was only a light insurance. Mr.
Duree estimates his loss at \$2,000. And
does not think he will be able to rebuild
at present. Mr. Duree was building up
a fine custom trade and his loss will be
felt over a wide extent of country.

MARRIED.

BOWEN—OLMSTEAD.—At the residence of
the bride's parents, Rapid City, on Sun-
day evening, December 26, by Rev. E. G. Olden,
Wm. Bowman to Miss A. M. Olmstead.

BROWN—GILLIES.—At the home of the bride on
Box P. 2, and Elk creek, on Tuesday
evening, December 24, Isaac Brown to Lillian Gillies.

Professional Cards.

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racy and satisfaction. Office in First National
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stracting.

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Odor Sets, and Toys of all Kinds.

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