



(FARM SCENE IN HOLT COUNTY, MO.)

HOME NEWS

—Mr. Hadley D. Johnson, of Salt Lake City, Utah, is spending a few days in this city, visiting his daughters, Misses Irvine and McMurtry.

—Messrs. Jacob Michel and Alois Nigg, of this county, will leave on next Monday, for Portland, Oregon, where it is their intention to engage in the cattle business.

—Just why a man should be ashamed to own that he is injured by a fall we don't see, but ninety-nine men out of a hundred, on getting up from a slippery spot, will lie like Satan, and say "not hurt at all," when in truth they are bruised and skinned in over twenty places.

—The announcement, in our advertising columns, that the Red Front Store, Forest City, is closing out at cost, to quit business, will undoubtedly cause a rush of customers to that establishment.

—We have already published Prof. Tice's weather predictions for February. His rival as a weather prophet is Prof. Vennor of Canada, who predicts as follows: The mild spell with which January closes will probably continue well into this month, with the exception of a day or two, up to the 12th of the month, with balmy, spring-like weather prevailing in many parts, and snow rapidly disappearing. A couple of days of blustering weather, with rain or snow, will be followed by snow-storms and cold weather throughout Ontario and the Western United States.

—List of letters remaining in the Postoffice at Oregon, Holt Co. Mo., Feb. 11, 1881. Any one calling for these, will please say, "advertised."

K. G. Holtz, P. M. M. O. Ashton, Geo. Jones, Minnie Brown, John Brunk, L. H. Camson, Henry Cranstin, Henry Hall, Geo. E. Minten, Martha Rash, Josephine Stratton, H. Chaplin Thorp, James W. Williams.

—Bear in mind that after the fifteenth of March no more gifts will be given to subscribers. If you wish to get the benefit of our very liberal offers, you must call or send and pay a year in advance, before that time. No matter if your year does not expire until July or October, you can get a gift by paying a year ahead from the expiration of your term, provided you do so before the fifteenth of March.

—We have sent forward the order for the books which we offer as gifts to subscribers and they will probably be here about next Wednesday. Those subscribers to whom gifts are due can get them after that time, provided they have selected books. Several subscribers to whom gifts are due have not yet made selections. We hope they will do so and notify us what they choose, as soon as convenient.

—A welcome visitor to the sanctum of THE OREGON PAPER last Saturday was Mr. Jonas Whitmer of near Mound City, who gave tangible evidence of his appreciation of our labors by bringing us the name of a new subscriber and \$2 cash to pay for same, and also by subscribing and paying for a copy of Chambers's Encyclopedia for his own use.

—Mention was made in our last issue of the death of the father of Mr. Clark Irvine and of the dangerous illness of his mother. Mr. Irvine, in response to a telegram, left this city on Saturday, the 29th ult. His father, J. C. Irvine, had died the previous night. When he arrived at the old homestead in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, he found the corpse of his father in one room and in an adjoining room his mother lay upon her death bed. She lingered until 2 o'clock P. M. on Tuesday, when she passed away, and the aged couple were buried in the same grave on Thursday. They were among the oldest citizens of Ohio, having lived at Mt. Vernon fifty-one years. Both died of pneumonia. Mr. Irvine was 76 years old, and his wife two years older. He was a man of wonderful vigor, and, notwithstanding his advanced age, he responded promptly to the call for troops in the late rebellion and had the distinguished honor of raising the first company which entered the war from Ohio. He left an estate valued at from \$50,000 to \$75,000, to be equally divided among his six children.

—Band Concert, Court House, Friday evening, February 18th.

—Mrs. Sterrett has bought the millinery establishment of Mrs. Curry and Miss Johnson.

—A small dwelling house and three acres of land, beautifully located, within the corporate limits of the city of Mexico, Mo.,—a thriving place of 6,000 inhabitants—is offered for trade for property in this city or for land in Holt County. For further information apply to the editor of this paper.

—Sara Bernhardt, the great French actress, is to give one night of Opera in St. Joseph on the 28th inst. Excursion trains will run on all the roads into that city.

—Mr. James Scott has bought the residence of Mr. Joseph Hohlitzell in this city. Price paid, \$2,500 cash. We hear that Mr. Hohlitzell will build a fine brick dwelling in the spring, if he can buy a lot to suit him.

—The sleet which fell last Saturday night did immense damage to fruit and other trees. The weight of the ice which clung to the limbs was so great that the trees broke and fell. Peach trees were especially damaged and most of the aged trees were ruined. In the forests the scene is as if a cyclone had passed through the country.

—An Ohio paper proposes to number the hours of a day and night consecutively from 1 to 24, or from midnight to midnight, thus doing away with a. m. and p. m., in railway time tables and elsewhere. The advocate of this proposed new method says there is no more reason for having two 12 o'clocks in one day, than there is for two twelve mile posts on a twenty-four mile railroad.

—Do you chew or smoke tobacco or drink whiskey? If so, stop a moment and ponder over this thought: The money which you spend every year for tobacco or whiskey would buy you a full set (15 volumes) of Chambers's Encyclopedia and at least fifty more volumes of history, poetry and romance. You need this Encyclopedia; you want it badly; but you say you are not able to buy it. This is a mistake. If you will quit using tobacco and whiskey, which ruin you mentally and physically, and spend the money for books which you are now paying for these useless luxuries, you can in one year procure the nucleus of a fine library. Books which formerly sold at from \$1 to \$10 each are now being sold by the American Book Exchange (of which the editor of this paper is the sole agent in Holt County) at from thirty-five to fifty cents a piece. Think over these facts.

—Attention is directed to the advertisement in another column, headed "Land for Trade." The land there described will undoubtedly be in brisk demand at an early date, and meanwhile it is increasing in value every day. It will be traded, in quantities to suit, for property in Oregon or land in Holt or Atchison county. Or propositions to trade for horses and lots in any of the towns of those counties would be considered, provided they can be readily rented at fair figures. There is an opportunity to make money in these lands; and any one having property in this section, which he wishes to dispose of, can make an excellent trade. The investment is a perfectly safe one, and by simply holding the lands the yearly increase in value will far exceed ten per cent. The owner's object in disposing of them is to get his affairs into such shape that every thing he has will bring a present income. All information can be had by applying to the editor of this paper.

—How to cure a cold.—On the first day of tending cold there is a very unpleasant sensation of chilliness. The moment you observe this go to your room and stay there; keep it as dark as you can, and will prevent it from being a chilly feeling, even if it requires 100 degrees of Fahrenheit. In addition, put your feet in water, half-leg deep, as hot as you can bear it, adding hot water from time to time for a quarter of an hour, so that the water shall be hotter when you take your feet out than when you put them in; then dry them thoroughly, and put on warm, thick woolen stockings even if it be in summer, for summer colds are the most dangerous; and for twenty-four hours eat not an atom of food, but drink as largely as you like of any kind of warm tea, and at the end of that time, if not sooner, the cold will be effectually broken without any medicine whatever.

—Don't fail to attend the Band Concert at the Court House on Friday evening, February 18th.

—Rev. Mr. Miller will preach at New Point next Sunday morning and evening.

—A petition is in circulation in this city praying the county court not to grant any further saloon license in Oregon. Those who are circulating it say that it has already been signed by a majority of the tax-payers.

—County county has been in session all week and is still in session. This being a regular term, there is an immense amount of business. We believe our readers will prefer that we publish all the proceedings in one issue, instead of publishing a portion this week and the remainder next week. Consequently we omit the proceedings this week and will publish them in full in our next.

—On last Friday the printing material and presses of THE OREGON PAPER were removed, without accident or breakage, to the first floor of the building in which the paper has heretofore been printed. We are not yet "fixed up" to suit us, but we are much better situated than ever before; and as we now have a room which can be properly heated and a floor strong enough to bear the jarring of the press without danger of breaking through, we intend to see that our readers' future always receive papers which are clearly and legibly printed. If any one of them gets a badly printed paper we ask him to send or bring it to us. The editor cannot do the press-work himself, and the only way he can know whether his instructions are obeyed by those to whom that duty is entrusted, is by patron showing him such papers as are not fit to be sent out.

—All our readers who are fond of good books should join the club we are forming to send off the 21st of this month for the various books published by the American Book Exchange. We publish full particulars elsewhere in this paper. Enough persons have already joined the club to make it certain that we can deliver the books in Oregon at their net price in New York, thus saving from six to forty cents on each volume, and we guarantee to do this. Those persons who contemplate buying either Chambers's Encyclopedia or the Library of Universal Knowledge will save from one and-a-half to three dollars by joining this club, and such an opportunity will not again be offered. Remember that by joining this club you can get these books (15 volumes) at the following prices, delivered in Oregon: Chambers's Encyclopedia, small type edition \$7.50; Library of Universal Knowledge, large type, embracing all of Chambers's Encyclopedia and the American Additions (which fill four volumes) for \$12.75. There are also many miscellaneous books in the list (which we publish elsewhere and to which we refer the reader) and this is a good time to "stock up" at a small price. Please examine the list and send in your order as soon as you determine what books you want. We will positively send the order for the books on Monday, February 21st.

—To secure one's self from the danger of catching cold, nothing is surer than to bathe the feet every day. If the pores of the skin are closed in any part of the body, that part is unnaturally hot or cold. If the circulation is vigorous it overheats, because it cannot escape through these capillary pipes of the system. If the circulation is sluggish, if there is but little vitality, the blood of the veins stagnates and the blood of the arteries, which carries heat and life, cannot get there; hence the first step in keeping the feet warm is to keep the pores open. The pores of the soles of the feet are much the largest of the body; hence the necessity of keeping the pores of the soles always open. Keep the feet clean. Clean away the concretions, oil and dust, which are always accumulating, and seal the tops of these pores, the chimneys of the system, hermetically. Each morning, before you dress, put both feet in cold water for a second or two—they need not go deeper than the toes—then wipe dry. This bath ought to be attended to by all persons of sedentary habits. Many have got rid of the discomfort of cold feet in the way described. We once heard an eminent physician say that if a person would bathe the breasts in the vicinity of the lungs every morning with salt water, and drink a glass of water containing a little salt, no cold would be taken. If persons have no strength or vitality, this or other methods will fail.

—If there is any truth in the theory that a rigid winter is followed by an early spring and good crops, our farmers may as well commence building additions to their granaries and corn cribs.

—An exchange says: To clean out a stove pipe, place a piece of zinc on the live coals in the stove; the vapor produced by the zinc will carry off the soot by chemical decomposition. Persons who have tried the process claim that it will work every time.

—We have received a copy of the original Chatter-Box, published by Estes & Souriet, of Boston, which is one of the best magazines for children that we have ever seen. It will be published monthly at \$1 per annum, and is the fac-simile of the English edition. Persons subscribing will be entitled to a magnificent steel engraving "Ought and Carry One," as a premium. Any one that wishes to see a sample can get one free by writing to the publishers.

—The following, which we clip from the St. Joseph Saturday Democrat, will be read with interest, in view of the lecture soon to be delivered here by Captain Posegate: "We see by the OREGON COUNTY PAPER that our fellow citizen, Capt. F. M. Posegate, has been invited to deliver his lecture on "Lights and Shadows of Life," there. This lecture is in the Captain's best vein, and is a magnetic and interesting one. He captures his audience at the commencement, and so true is he to nature, in his descriptions and illustrations, that he makes his hearers forget their surroundings while he photographs the sunshine and shadows which fall on life's pathway. We guarantee our neighbors an elegant entertainment, and every one who is present will second the remark we make above."

—The last two days have been the most disagreeable of the whole season. The creek is high and the streets lumpy and both are every minute growing worse.

—There was a death of a young child in the new part of town, the name we failed to learn.

—A child of Mr. Sweeton's has got a gram of corn up its nose. Dr. Ross was called in to extract it yesterday, but could procure no instruments that would reach it.

—Mr. Fletcher cut his foot severely last Thursday, but is not so far as learned, suffering greatly from it.

—It is said that we are to have a dairy in town soon. One of our best citizens thinks of going into the business.

—We hear it rumored, that Mr. Muxlow of Bigelow contemplates coming to our town shortly to go into the hotel business.

—P. S. Durham is on a trade with Smith & Linsal for their butcher shop.

—K. F. Rice has not yet closed his bargain with the Forest City gentlemen in relation to his butcher shop.

—Mr. Mastin, living one mile west of town, is quite sick. He has been ill for some eight months, and is apparently growing worse.

—The Literary Society has been unable to meet for two weeks past, but still holds itself in readiness for work whenever an opportunity offers.

—The quarterly meetings of the M. E. Church were held here Saturday and yesterday. Rev. John Wayman is present. On Friday he delivered a very instructive lecture on "The Bible View of Temperance."

—The Temperance Union meets tonight in the Presbyterian Church building, and will be addressed by Rev. John Wayman.

—On account of the almost impossibility of getting about to make the necessary inquiries we omit the market quotations this week.

—Triumph. We are having sleet by the wholesale, and our fruitmen predict no peach this year. It is close to that time of the year when many of our farmers look about them and say "where shall I wander?"

—Mr. Turkins school closed Friday the 4th. The school and guests were treated to a sumptuous dinner. His term is pronounced an educational success.

—There are about 1,033 head of cattle feeding in Hickory Township.

—Mr. T. Kerns has two children sick with Diphtheria.

—We know of a few subscribers that won't renew to the M. C. N. Wonder if the senior will notice them in his personals? Oh, where, oh, where were those wedding bells, one night last week Brother Beam? Some of our young men got disappointed.

—Mr. Winslow, our New Point druggist gives them to understand that it takes Prescription as well as money to buy whiskey. OLD 100.

—Bo-tom Mixed Pickles for sale by E. P. Hostetter.

—Fat hogs are now selling at \$4.60 per hundred. The farmers ought to get rich at these figures.

—Rev. Mr. Showalter will preach in this city next Sabbath morning and evening.

—The real estate business seems to be looking up. We hear of a great many contemplated sales and trades in and around Oregon.

—Encourage the "band boys" by attending their concert of the Court House on Friday evening, February 18th.

—Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. Robert Thomas to Miss Louisa Meyer, daughter of John Meyer, at the New Point church next Tuesday, February 15th.

—The fine organ which will be used at the Band Concert on Friday evening, February 18th, is for sale at a price much below its value. Prof. Armstrong will tell you all about it.

—Married, at the residence of the bride's father, H. B. Young, four miles northeast of Oregon, by Rev. George Miller, on Thursday, February 3, 1881, Mr. Wm. A. S. Derr to Miss Ida Young, all of Holt County.

—God bless the women! They are, almost without exception, staunch and true friends of THE OREGON PAPER.

—Mrs. Susan Mary Wood, one of our subscribers at White, Cloud, Kansas writes us, under date of February 6th: "I have received THE OREGON PAPER. It is a noble paper. It is the best family paper I know of. I am one of the old subscribers and I expect to take it as long as I live."

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Remember the BAND CONCERT AT THE COURT HOUSE, FRIDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 18, 1881.

Bigelow. The ice took its departure from the banks of the trees on last Sunday night, after which we have had plenty of ice in liquid form.

—The "stock-man," Ashbrook, sold to John Caton one hundred and sixty head of hogs, which averaged over 300 lbs. Price \$4.50. The same were shipped from this place, one day last week.

—Mr. Campbell of Scotland Co. Mo., has been spending several days in Bigelow, visiting his son John Campbell, our popular druggist.

—Ed. Anibal is refitting his drugstore building, by partitioning a clerk's room off of the rear end; this adds much to the appearance, as well as the comfort of the room, as it was heretofore larger than necessary.

—Esp. W. H. Muir, who was on the sick list last week is on duty this week again in the drugstore.

—Report of Bigelow school for the month ending February 4th 1881. No. of pupils enrolled during the month 48. No. that made full months attendance 39. Average daily attendance 39, visitors during the month 12.

—The school, and especially the teacher, were made happy on last Friday by the presence of more than a usual number of visitors, viz: Mrs. Wade, Miss Jennie Smith, Mr. A. L. Chuning, Mr. Lee Chuning, Mr. Chas. Spruille, G. W. Smith, Miss Mollie Meek, and Mr. Fuller of Craig. Why it is that the people especially the parents, don't visit their schools more, is a question for the people and parents to answer. Is it because you have no interest there? Then you had better keep your children away. Is it because this is none of your business? You help to pay the expenses. Is it because the school room is a dull irksome place? Better go and try to make it more pleasant. Parents, it is your duty to visit your school often enough to become acquainted with its working. SAX.

—A large stock of the Finest Confectionaries and Cigars just received by E. P. Hostetter.

—Forest City. Death has visited us again: this time the well-known, honored citizen, Mr. M. Howley. "A friend in need is a friend indeed." In sickness or need, no one was more willing to lend a helping hand. In losing him we have met with a loss that will be long felt, but our loss is his gain.

—There is a great deal of sickness in town now, among the number are, Dr. Nelson and wife; Charles Graves; Mrs. Plummer and Mr. Lee Martin. Mr. Martin is improving very fast.

—Mr. Chas. Cary was confined to his room a few days with a severe cold.

—Mr. Dave Perkins is recovering from an attack of erysipelas.

—Mrs. Rhodes, a former resident of this place, passed several days with her many friends last week.

—Mr. Emil Weber has bought Dr. McDonald's property.

—Mr. Wm. Minton was in town Sunday. He will purchase Mr. Weber's stock of groceries, etc., and will weigh them out with his most fascinating smile in future.

—Mr. Alt Morey, a former telegraph operator of this place, was shaking hands with a few of his many friends last Sunday.

—Why don't the farmers bring us eggs and butter? We have almost forgotten

how such articles look. Eggs are from 20 to 30 cents per dozen, butter 20 cents per pound and almost impossible to be had at any price.

The heavy sleet of Saturday and Sunday damaged the trees and telegraph wires very much. Several of the wires are down between here and Oregon.

The inclement weather prevented services of any kind, Sunday evening; meetings consisted of two hearers.

Highland. EDITOR COUNTY PAPER:—Not seeing anything from this part of the heritage I thought I would give a brief synopsis of things as they occur.

There is quite an interesting Literary Society here in full blast, which meets every Friday night. The following officers were elected on last Friday: Giles Laughlin, President; Miss Lucy Norville, Secretary; Mr. Lacy Vice-president. The subject for discussion, Resolved that compulsory education should be the law of the land. Affirmative: Giles Laughlin, N. F. Murray, Miss Lizzie Honnen; Negative: M. J. Joke, Mr. Lacy and Miss Josie Norville.

—Mr. N. F. Murray has just returned from an extensive tour through Kentucky and Tennessee. While in Kentucky took in the mammoth cave. While in the cave he picked up quite a lot of curiosities, the study of which would be very interesting.

—Mr. N. F. Murray is Vice-President of the Temperance Alliance of Forbes Township and would have organized a society at the Highland school house on last Saturday night had it not been for the inclemency of the weather.

—We are having at present writing one of the heaviest sleet ever fell. It has broke down trees eighteen inches over and stripped the forest almost bare, leaving nothing but trunks standing. Orchard-are almost destroyed. The majority of Peach-trees are entirely ruined, stripped of all their foliage.

—Our school is progressing finely. The average number of scholars is something near forty.

—George Allen of Oregon aways the septon, and is a No. 1 teacher.

—We had the pleasure of visiting the Pleasant Hill school under the management of Edward Brodbeck. He too is from Oregon and a very clever genial little fellow and a No. one scholar. The patrons of his school say he can't be beat as a teacher.

—Uncle Bob Patterson is talking of building a nobby front to his large and commodious dwelling this spring.

—Mr. Westly Huiatt is also talking of building an addition to his dwelling, which will add to the appearance of his house as well as give the surplus room. He also contemplates building a barn and smoke house. Mr. Huiatt believes in taking time by the forelock.

—Health generally good, save bad colds, and Mrs. James Vaughn who has been confined to her room all winter but hope were long to report her convalescent.

—Miss Jesse Murray and Miss Lizzie Honnen will visit the mammoth cave, Kentucky, in the spring and on their return will stop in Gentry county to rusticate through the warm summer months. J. P. R.

—Oysters served in every style at E. P. Hostetter's.

MINERAL LANDS FOR SALE. A Chance for Speculators.

To an intelligent and honest man who will take hold of and develop the property, an undivided interest is offered for sale in four hundred and fifty-five acres of mineral land, located in Washington county, Mo., about sixty miles from St. Louis and about fifteen miles from the Iron Mountain Railroad. This land is only three miles from the celebrated Palmer Lead Mines, and is on the same ridge with them. Below them. The former State Geologist says that the same vein of ore which is found in the Palmer Lead Mines undoubtedly lays under this land; and competent judges pronounce it one of the most valuable tracts of mineral land in the State. The owner is so confident that a fortune is there, seventy or eighty feet from the surface, ready to be taken out, that he will not dispose of his entire interest in any portion of it; but if he can find a perfectly honest and energetic man, who will go there and sink shafts and thus find out the amount, quality, size of vein, etc., of the lead ore, he will sell an undivided interest or will trade an undivided interest for unencumbered property in northwest Missouri. For further information apply to the editor of THE OREGON PAPER.