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HOME NEWS

To Our Subscribers.

To all subscribers who are in arrears for THE COUNTY PAPER, and who will come in and settle up and pay one year's subscription in advance, we will make him a present of "Dr. Kendall's Treatise on the Horse." It is a valuable book and every owner of a horse should have one. Call and see them.

-The doctors report business lively. -Henry Holtgreve buried his babe last Thursday.

-Bob Hester is now perfectly happy so Dr. Goslin says, and he ought to know.

-We are sorry to learn that Mr. Mell Soper will shortly remove his family to St. Joseph.

-The James boys are giving Missouri another emigration boom. That is, to boom on through to Kansas.

-Who will carry away the prize? We will give a year's subscription to anyone bringing us the biggest water-melon this year.

-Music by the band. Prof. Graves and his Silver Cornet Band of sixteen pieces will be here with Johnson & Co's Circus on Monday, Aug. 8.

-Some of the side-walks have been repaired lately by the city authorities, but there are quite a number yet at ransom in a deplorable condition.

-We don't like to brag or tell the whole world our business, but we can't help mentioning the fact that we are getting about ten new subscribers a week to THE COUNTY PAPER.

-Vennor says we will have showers of rain accompanied by cool weather on the 7th and 8th. We will see, and if they don't come, we shall at last be afforded the gratification of calling Vennor a liar.

-Better crops of corn will be raised than was expected in the overflowed districts of the county this season; and if we do not get a good shower soon it will be even better than the upland crop.

-Silver dollars perforated with holes are worth 75 cents; half dollars, 85 cents; quarters, 18 cents, and dimes, 5 cents. This is an order of the government, and parties should look out for their rights.

-They are coming: they will positively be here Monday, Aug. 8 at Oregon: Jas. T. Johnson & Co's Circus and Trained Animals, so remember the day and tell your friends.

-A good deal of sickness prevails in the bottoms this year, principally of a malarial character. This however is easily accounted for, the result of the great flood the present year, followed as it was, with frequent heavy rains until late in June.

-So many unkind things were said of the weather during the hot spell that it deserves to be complimented on its good behavior the past two weeks. If it was not quite so dry, a little cooler, and not so awful warm it would be just perfectly splendid.

-The prevailing opinion in Nodaway county since the execution of the Tallbot boys, is that Mrs. Tallbot is the guilty one. Maryville made several thousand dollars by the last hanging, and it is probable that another one will be gotten up for the benefit of the town.

-Can I give my son a college education at home? asks a fond parent. Well, you may be able to teach him as much of Greek and Latin and mathematics as the college could; but you could never so thoroughly imbue him with the idea that everybody else is a bigamed fool.

-Occasionally, yes, very often, a woman is more than a match for a man. A farmer who resides not a hundred miles from here was in a hurry to get his farm work along, and went out into the field with his boys and hired man, entirely overlooking the fact that the last stick of wood in the wood pile had been burned to get the breakfast. Raging hungry the force came in at noon. The good wife had the table set with all the taste of which she was mistress, and it really looked inviting; but there was no diner upon it. "Sarah, where was the dinner?" inquired the farmer somewhat anxiously. "I don't know whether it is done or not. There was no wood for a fire so I hung it in the warmest place I could find. It's on the ladder at the south side of the house." The whole force was detailed at chopping wood that afternoon.

-Dogs! dogs! Not mad dogs, but a school of the finest Educated Dogs in the world, in their wonderful performance with Johnson & Co's Circus on Monday, Aug. 8.

-Next Monday is circus day. Our citizens will do well to look out for pickpockets and burglars on that day. These fellows always follow a circus and are professionals in their business. This fact should not be forgotten next Monday.

-A fashion writer says that "during the coming season ladies who wish to be considered fashionable will wear nothing but longitudinally striped hose." This is no doubt a comfortable costume for this weather, but for health there should be added to it a pair of ear-rings or a necklace, at least.

-Oregon in a Blaze. We mean Blue Rucker, the Fire King, leaping horse will set the people of Oregon in a blaze of excitement over his wonderful performance of leaping over six horses, and his daring act of leaping through a hoop of blazing fire. See him, by all means with Johnson & Co's Circus, on Monday, Aug. 8.

-Here they come: full of Wit and Humor. Four of the funniest clowns in the ring all the time, with their side-splitting jokes, comic songs and sayings. They will amuse you and make you forget that you have lost a fortune, if you ever had one to lose. So if you have the blues, remember Johnson & Co's Circus will be here on Monday, Aug. 8.

-Tom Parrish, of Holt county, attempts the feat of tearing to pieces one of Judge Kelly's decisions. Tom can tell stories pretty well at a political meeting, but when he attacks Judge Kelly on a law point, the controversy cannot but result disastrously to Tom. We are willing he shall be the next Democratic candidate for Judge in this circuit. -Savannah Reporter.

-Read this. We say that we have the largest and best Circus on the road; better Riders; better Leapers; better Tumblers; better Clowns; better trained horses; better educated dogs, etc. In fact we have no equals and no rivals, and acknowledge no other show on the earth, as our Arena performance cannot be equaled by any. So do not fail to see this mammoth Circus on Monday, August 8th.

-Friends will confer a favor on us if they will come in and furnish us with any items of interest that have occurred, or may occur, in their immediate vicinity. If a man dies, his friends would like to know it. Or if somebody gets married, it should not be kept a secret, or if a new arrival should happen to make an appearance, please make the fact known to us, as we wish to give all the news, of whatever character it may be.

-For the purpose of testing the quality of the soil of Holt county in the growth of watermelons, a premium of one year's subscription to THE COUNTY PAPER will be given for the largest water-melon delivered at this office between this date and the first of October next. Each melon will be weighed and measured on delivery, a faithful record kept of the same, together with the name of person delivering it, and the award made and published on the date above given.

The cloth peddler of whom so much has been said in almost every paper in the land are reaping a rich harvest in the south part of Cass county, Iowa. They hire a man and a team to drive them about through the country from one farm to another. In a four day's drive the sales of one man amounted to five hundred dollars, and in another drive of three days his sales amounted to three hundred dollars. In cases where sales are not made for cash and signatures are put to contracts, it will probably be the same old story of a changed note and an innocent purchaser.

-Advertising rates in St. Louis are somewhat steeper than in Oregon, as for example: A quarter of a column advertising space in the daily Globe-Democrat commands \$3.164, and in the Republican a like space commands \$2.800. A full page advertisement in either of the above papers for one day costs \$500. A single column advertisement for one day cost \$90. In order to get local notices in at 40 cents a line, the advertiser must use \$1,000 worth per annum. Notwithstanding these high rates, the business men of that city find it as profitable to advertise judiciously as to occupy a good building in good locality. Their advertising is made a part of their business, and is not given in any instance as an act of charity, but as a legitimate business investment.

-We will have a new charter. -The melon-colic days have come. This is not original.

-Mr. Michael Spoerle informs us that he will have ripe grapes in the market next week.

-Watermelons have made their appearance, but they are so high only a few can reach them. -A big cat-fish, weighing 86 pounds, was caught in Davis Creek, and cut up and sold on our streets last Saturday.

-A Maitland young man calls his sweetheart "Silence," because when he wants to kiss her "she gives consent."

-Mound City girls show a spirit of economy by running their last year's hats through a clothes wringer to shape them for the present season.

-\$500 reward to any one producing a horse that can equal the Trick Horse, "Snow Storm." He is the wonder of horse flesh, and can be seen with Johnson & Co's Circus on Aug. 8.

-Oregon is a good deal like heaven the past two or three weeks. There is neither marriage nor given in marriage." But we suppose the extreme hot weather has a great deal to do with it.

-There are, at present, only three persons in the county jail. One of these is serving out a jail sentence for practicing medicine without license, one awaiting trial for horse-stealing, and the other awaiting trial for beating his boy.

-The new comet will soon make its appearance, and it is said to be even brighter than the old one. In order to see it more plainly, you will have to put your eyes around her neck and put your cheek close to her's, so she may be able to hear the faintest whisper.

-Jas. T. Johnson & Co's Circus and Trained Animals will be in Oregon on Monday, Aug. 8. Two performances, 1 and 7 o'clock p. m. Admission, 50 cents; children, 25 cents, so do not fail to see this monstrous Circus, as they will be here, rain or shine.

-Now is the time for lovers to get spoony over ice cream, she taking a few pretty dabs at his vanilla, and he borrowing a taste of chocolate. This process inspires confidence in the day when they will be throwing corn beef and cabbage at each other across the table.

-A suspicious mother, who lives in Maryville, placed some nitro-glycerine in her daughter's corset on the evening her fellow was coming. The girl loaned the corset to the cook, and they had to scrape the old man off the ceiling to get enough of him to hold an inquest over. He was buried in a cigar box.

-We would pause to remark that we do not endorse, nor did we write the local notices in regard to Johnson & Co's Circus which appear in this issue. They were written by their press agent, and paid for at the rate of ten cents a line. But our Kansas exchanges speak very creditably of this circus, and say it is far ahead of the average shows.

-An editor being asked to write a testimonial for a patent clothes-wringer, produces the following: "I bought your clothes-wringer, and am hugely pleased with it. I bought a jug of elm wood on subscription, which proved to be green and unfit to burn; I ran the whole load through your wringer, and have used the wood for kindling ever since."

-Bob Norvell, the Missouri boy preacher, says he has had but eleven days rest within three years. His mind is never at rest; it is constantly studying, and he will sometimes wander far past his destination, when going to a certain place, and he says his mind always gets away with his body. He has a remarkable memory and can repeat Webster's dictionary, word for word from beginning to end and define each word. He says the most preachers are preaching to keep the people out of hell, but he is preaching to keep hell out of the people.

-Mayor Cummins had before him last Monday, a case of assault with intent to kill. The defendant was a colored boy about sixteen years old. It seems he shot a fellow's dog and then thought he would shoot its owner if he ran over him. O'Fallon & Irvine appeared for the defendant and cleared him of the charge, but he was immediately arrested on the charge of exhibiting deadly weapons, when the case was submitted on some evidence and he was fined five dollars and costs. The management of the case was ably conducted by these young attorneys, who seem to be gaining quite a reputation as able defenders.

-Butter is scarce and in demand at fifteen cents a pound.

-Rev. Mr. Miller will preach in Oregon next Sabbath morning and evening. -There are 9,852 school children in the city of St. Joseph, including both white and black.

-Rev. S. Carothers will preach at Triumph school house Sunday at eleven o'clock, and at Oregon at night.

-Mr. N. J. Kyger was granted a dramshop license by both the County Court and City Council last Tuesday.

-It is said that when the cow jumped over the moon she originated a spring from which men cannot be driven.

-We understand there will be no August term of the Circuit Court as the County Court failed to make provisions for a suitable room for holding it.

-The old roof has been entirely removed from off the old court house, and the brick-layers are at work raising the walls preparatory to putting on the new mansard roof.

-Young men who complain about long hours and hard work, will one hundred-and-sixty pounds of female attractions on the knee of their summer pants from 8 p. m. till midnight, and think it is fun. -E.

-In another column on the fifth page of this paper will be found a short sketch of the life of Bob. Norvell, the Missouri boy preacher who has been entertaining our citizens the past two weeks. It is full of interest and is well worth reading.

-Died, at his residence near Oregon, July 30, 1881, Joseph P. Taylor, aged 61 years. The deceased had been a resident of the county for a number of years and was a honest and industrious citizen. He had been a member of the M. E. Church for many years, from which church his funeral was held on Sabbath last at 3 P. M., by the pastor. He leaves a wife and four children with many friends to mourn his sudden departure.

-W. H. Williams, of Forest City, as will be seen from his announcement elsewhere in this paper, desires to sell out his entire stock of hardware. Mr. Williams' fast falling health has caused this action. His business is one that is well established and we can recommend him as one of those men whose candor and uprightiness are beyond reproach or blemish. We regret to lose him; he is one of those men who does honor to any community in which he lives.

-List of letters remaining in the Post-office at Oregon, Mo., August 1, 1881:

- Anderson G B Palmer Philopena
 - Bumps Jesse Saddler Nora
 - Cullison Annie Sapp Hiram
 - Davis W L Tyann Kate
 - Hampton T Vanalstine Daniel
 - Jackson Geo. Woodmansee Lilly
 - Prater Jane Wright Austin A.
- Any one calling for the above will please say "advertised."

K. G. HOLTZ, P. M.

Maitland.

-Hot and dry. I suppose you know this.

-Business of all kinds is booming in our new town.

-J. M. Winsch is preparing to build a handsome residence.

-Maitland can boast of being the largest town in the State for its age.

-Will Graham, formerly of Oregon, is selling stacks of dry goods and groceries.

-P. L. Boulton, of Cameron, is visiting his daughter, wife of Elder W. F. Walte.

-Mrs. McAnelly, the lady who was so badly burned recently, died last week and was buried on Saturday.

-Work on the banking house of Wel'er & Donovan has commenced and will be pushed rapidly forward to completion. -There are now no less than thirty business and dwelling houses under course of construction. What town in Northwest Missouri can beat this.

There were two gentlemen in town last week looking up a location for a hotel, and I understand they have completed arrangements to build at once.

ALPHA.

The largest stock of Watches, Clocks Jewelry, Pocket Cutlery, and Spectacles in Holt county, is kept at D. O. Wade's jewelry store, Craig, Mo. Don't buy until you examine my stock, for I will not be undersold. Fine watches a specialty. D. O. WADE, Postoffice, Craig, Mo.

-We are suffering badly for rain. -A considerable amount of sickness is reported in the vicinity of Craig.

-The peach crop with us is a failure; apples, however, are more abundant than usual.

-W. R. Springer, Holt county's favorite officer, was seen upon our streets on Saturday last.

-Business of all kinds is quite lively with our business men. They say their trade is unusually good.

-Messrs. Ward Dawson & Co. shipped from this place last week ten ear loads of fat hogs to Kansas City.

-Our young people greatly enjoyed an evening picnic at the Mound City Mineral Springs on Friday last.

-Work will, within a few days, be begun on our new school house. Lewis & Bradbury have the contract.

-The roads leading into Craig have, under the supervision of Mr. Fred Myers, been put in an excellent condition.

-Messrs. Buckingham & Miller, one of our leading mercantile firms, will shortly open a branch house at Pacific Junction, Iowa.

-Messrs. Billy & Heaton have purchased the new Huffstetter brick building and will fit the same up in good shape to be used for their banking house.

-The yield of the wheat crop in this vicinity is very light, and is greatly disappointing our farmers, who, from the growth of straw, were expecting an average yield of grain.

-Robert Dawson, Esq., has gone to Colorado to look after his mining interest there. His many friends will be pleased to know that he has struck it rich.

ALLIE GAITER.

Mound City.

-Wm. Mounts is again quite sick. -Corn is selling at 25 cents, wheat 85 and 95 cents.

-Mrs. Bialk is visiting her parents near Graham this week.

-John Caton has his horse about ready to let and occupy.

-Mrs. Austin Ramsey has been quite sick for several days, but at this writing is some better.

-Mr. Everts' family has several invalids in it, some of them seriously ill. Dr. Haken is attending on them.

-Lee Durham has bought the Tracy property opposite the Barnes residence for four hundred and fifty dollars.

-Dr. Brown has returned from Shelby county where he has been some weeks attending on his sick child. He left it well.

-Henry Tipton last Monday sold the lots upon which his dwelling and blacksmith shop stand to Bere and Add Gordon for eleven hundred dollars.

-There is some sickness in the county and among our citizens. Dr. Savelle's son was quite sick Saturday and Sunday with flux; caused by over-eating of watermelons and roasting ears.

-We notice that some correspondent from this place is likely to - or rather has got his foot into it on the temperance question with the Press, but he will probably get it out again without help.

-The Holt county bank is getting brick on the ground to build a vault in the Chambers building. J. B. Denning, who now occupies it will remove his stock of drugs into the south room of the Corsaut & Meyer brick.

-Elder Maup addressed the temperance meeting at the Christian church Sunday night, and a committee was appointed to appear before the Co. Court and resist the petition for a dramshop license filed on the Fourth of July.

-We have perceived no diminution in dog music since the passage and publishing of the ordinance on dogs. The canine portion of our population - and it is by no means an insignificant portion - treat the Council proceedings with contempt.

BERT.

S. S. Convention.

A Sunday School Convention will be held at New Point, in Hickory township, Aug. 6th, 1881.

PROGRAMME: Social exercises from 10 o'clock a. m. to 10:30, conducted by Geo. Preiswater.

The Utility of S. S. Conventions, by Rev. Geo. Miller.

The Duty of Parents in the Sunday School, by Rev. S. Carothers.

Kicks! Kicks!

A new lot of Walnut Clocks just received. Harry Faragher, Watchmaker, Oregon, Mo.

-Who Hottie Zell is anyhow. -Where Theodore Greenpickle is.

-If everybody is going to the show. -If the average small boy is not happy.

-If Democrats will always be blinders.

-How many boys have dreamed of the circus.

-Whether the train robbers will ever be captured.

-Who will compete for the water-melon prize.

-When those dangerous sidewalks will be fixed.

-And if Bro. Hasness will stay for the "concert."

-Why small boys are allowed to smoke cigarettes.

-What Sol. Foster is paying for railroad spikes now.

-Why Leigh Irvine looks so sad and lonely the past week.

-Whether the circus will not be a little boom for our merchants.

-If it is really true that Mr. Beecher has eschewed all female society.

-The age of those blind fish Dan Lewis brought from the Nodaway.

-Why some energetic boot black don't go into the "shine" business.

-How many boys have been hoarding up their nickels the past week.

-Why all the good looking girls smile so sweetly on John Philbrick.

-Ferd. Rostock's opinion of that wme he tested while fishing last week.

-How H. W. Sawyer of the Gazette knows Mr. Spoerle's wine is so good.

-Why Gov. Crittendon did not make the reward \$100,000 instead of \$50,000.

-Why some enterprising capitalist doesn't buy and operate the woolen mills.

-If red headed girls are not boiling over with love for the editors of this paper.

-If it was an "even up" trade of Hiram Hershberger's - had casters for recipes.

-Where Uriah Copeland and Geo. Burnett have established their fish hatchery.

-If Tom. Hinkle is having a good time in Illinois.

-And if he is not giving some of those suckers instructions in glass ball shooting.

-Why the comet is fading away in the face of the predictions of the wise to the reverse.

-Why, when a woman throws a stone she first describes several circles in the air with her hand.

-If Joe Williams, of Forest City, makes a habit of giving \$5 hats to railroad section hands.

-Why there are so many people who make trouble by refusing to take the right side of the pathway.

-If it isn't part of a boy's business to look at the circus bills whenever he is bent in town on an errand.

-Personal and Society.

-Jack. Masters it is said is located at Tarkio.

-E. W. King of Kansas, is visiting his parents near Oregon.

-Benjamin Allen and wife are in Iowa, visiting relatives.

-A. J. Dooley came over from Kansas last week, to hear Bob. Norvell.

-J. Q. Brink of Graham, was the guest of Orval Graves, last week.

-The family of Freeman Libby is visiting friends in Andrew county.

-J. G. Cooksey, who was one of the "boys in blue" has returned from Iowa.

-J. F. Loucks and family of Mound City are visiting the family of B. Kunkel.

-Miss Pinto of St. Joseph, is with her sister, Mrs. H. K. S. Robinson, of Forest City.

-Mrs. Zack Anderson of Morrison, Illinois, is visiting the family of George Anderson.

-J. Q. Trimmer of New Point gave us a pleasant call last Friday, and caused us to smile.

-Peter Triggs of Burlington, Iowa, was in Oregon last week, shaking hands with old friends.

-James Ferguson of Forest City, is entertaining his sister who comes from Franklin county, Mo.

-Mr. and Mrs. Spears of Burr Oak, Kansas, are being entertained by Geo. Anderson and his excellent wife.

-H. L. Allen of King Grove, came down to the capital of Holt last Wednesday, looking after a road overpass.

-W. O. Noble and family will soon remove to Hiawath, Kansas, where he will engage in the butcher-business.

-Miss Estella Goslin, after an extended tour through the East, returned to her home in Oregon last Thursday.

-Fred Meyers, one of Craig's most popular citizens, was seen perambulating around on our streets last Tuesday. He came up on business.

-Mrs. Mary Chapman, wife of the postmaster of Hiawatha, Kansas, and daughter of Mr. Michael Spoerle, is visiting her relatives and many friends in Oregon.

-Freeman Libby we understand, contemplates removing to Andrew county this fall. We hope ere the leaves change their hue, he will conclude to remain in Holt.

-Charlie Zook left last Monday for Chicago, St. Louis and prominent eastern cities. He is intermingling business with pleasure and will probably be gone some three weeks.

-S. H. Hodge of Mtland, was in our city Monday last. While here he purchased from George P. Luckhardt, a thoroughbred Poland China pig and a Plymouth Rock cock and hen.

-About a dozen Rock Port ladies are now at the Holt County Mineral Springs: J. D. Campbell, F. A. Foster, John P. Lewis and E. Prickett are four of the best looking widowers in town. -Rock Port Mail.

-We were favored with a call last Tuesday from Mr. Jas. McWhiter, of Falls City, Nebraska, accompanied by his son George, from Ontario, Canada. They were on a tour through the north-west portion of our state.

-D. Van Wormer and wife of Union township, are visiting N. J. Kyger of this city. Mr. Van Wormer is a lover of fine stock and believes in patronizing home institutions. He practiced this by purchasing a thoroughbred Poland China from Mr. Luckhardt.

County Court.

The August term of the Holt county Court convened Monday last, all the judges being present.

In consequence of the repairing of the Court House, the court held its session in the law office of James Lumbid.

Horace Larkan presented a petition for a public road, which was referred to the road commissioner.

The road petition of James Flory was referred to road commissioner.

The petition of George Holton asking for a change of road was approved by the court and change granted.

What We Would Like to Know?

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