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GUY'S PLACE

FINEST SAMPLE ROOM IN NORTH PLATTE

Having refitted our rooms in the finest of style, the public is invited to call and see us, insuring courteous treatment.

Finest Wines, Liquors and Cigars at the Bar.

Our billiard hall is supplied with the best make of tables and competent attendants will supply all your wants. **KEITH'S BLOCK, OPPOSITE THE UNION PACIFIC DEPOT**

NICHOLS NEWS.
Miss Annie Loker, of Sutherland, was the guest of Miss Goodwin over Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Sullivan left for Brady Island Sunday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Layton, who had been visiting in this neighborhood for several weeks.

A number from here attended the dance at Hershey Christmas evening.

A Free Methodist meeting was held at the Platte Valley school house Sunday morning, a young man from the south part of the county presiding.

Rumor says we will have another wedding on New Years—a society belle of Nichols and a young blood of Hershey.

At a meeting held after Sunday-school last Sunday, the following officers were elected for the next six months: J. W. Liles, superintendent; G. E. Sullivan, assistant; Mrs. Terry secretary, and Miss Brooks organist.

The exercises held at the school house Xmas eve were very nice and quite a large crowd was present, all seeming to enjoy themselves immensely. The committee spared no pains to have the entertainment a treat, and they had the satisfaction of seeing their endeavors realized.

At noon on Thursday last, at the Coslet residence in North Platte, Rev. Coslet officiating, occurred the ceremony which joined the hearts and destinies of William A. Loker and Miss Carrie A. Dymond, both of this place, in indissoluble bonds. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party entered carriages and drove to the residence of the bride's parents near this place, where a supper was served at six o'clock to a few intimate friends. The bride is one of Nichols most popular and charming young ladies, and the groom is one of our enterprising young farmers, and both possess many friends who wish them a most happy journey through life. Although the event was a quiet affair, some very beautiful and useful presents were received.

SUTHERLAND NEWS.
Chas. Record, of Paxton, was in town Thursday.

Wm. Holtry was in Omaha with cattle the first of the week.

F. A. Carpenter and wife are spending the holidays at St. Paul, Nebraska.

Christmas passed off very pleasantly in this village. The Presbyterians had an arch while the Methodist followed the time honored custom of a tree. At both places the house was jam full and a general good time is reported.

R. Ellsworth spent Christmas with his family.

D. White, of Hershey, was in town Friday.

L. E. Sherwood was a North Platte visitor on Saturday.

Mrs. Lou Pierson's brother from the eastern part of the state came out to spend Christmas.

W. S. Coker has purchased the "Weston" house and has moved it over west of the ranch on the north river.

The Woodman Camp will have installation of officers and a supper on New Year's night.

Wm. Allis and wife are visiting relatives in Frontier county. They will remain till after the holidays are over.

Mrs. W. W. Jores is on the sick list this week.

John Ellingham, of North Platte, was in town Wednesday.

C. G. Singer made an overland trip to Grant the first of the week.

C. W. Burkland has fitted up the back part of his store for a dwelling and the house which he formerly occupied has been moved across the North river to Coker's ranch.

Miss Cora Hoover, of North Platte, spent Thursday evening in town.

A. W. Hoatson and wife, of Birdwood, spent Christmas in town.

Mat Daugherty, of Ogalalla, was in town Saturday.

James Perkins is in charge of the store again. Since he was here he has visited both Omaha and Lincoln.

SOMERSET SNAP SHOTS.
Christmas passed off very quietly. A Christmas tree was held at the Artill school house Christmas Eve. Charles Jackson and family are visiting with J. H. Knowles.

Mrs. M. B. McConnel and daughter Belle recently left for Illinois. Three young gentlemen from Buchanan spent Christmas with W. J. Jones. James Owens is building on and

fencing his tree claim, intending to start a ranch.

A Christmas tree was held at the Belle Prairie school house Christmas Eve, and at the McDermott school house Christmas night.

Andrew Latimer spent Christmas with P. N. Latimer, of Belle Prairie.

G. W. Miller and family were calling on Cecil Tuell Saturday.

James H. Jolliff continues the champion coyote trapper, having recently captured three of the wiley animals. O. I. C.

SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT.

EDITOR TRIBUNE.—The Christmas entertainment in Ritner precinct at the Harmony school-house was a perfect success. There were 28 numbers on the programme consisting of recitations, declarations and songs, also a drill by eight little girls and a dialogue by Francis Kessel, Sidney Sternes and Grant McNeel was splendidly given. Our thanks are offered the excellent teacher Miss Josie Day and to whom all the credit is due. Miss Day had each child under perfect control and each one of the twenty-four went through the exercises without a break. Y.

NEBRASKA NEWS.

Congressman O. M. Kem has just completed a fine residence building on his Colorado farm with fifteen rooms besides the closets ward robes etc. He intends to move to Colorado soon after the close of the Broken Bow schools in which his daughter Linda will graduate.

The little son of W. T. Roberts, south of Brady, while playing with a large dog last Thursday was thrown down and had his hip thrown out of place and his thigh fractured. Dr. Quinn drove out and repaired the damage and the boy is getting along nicely.

R. M. Allen, of Ames, president of the Nebraska Beet Sugar association, left Sunday for Washington, where he went to make an argument before the Ways and Means committee of the House on the question of sugar production. Mr. Allen may be depended upon to shed some valuable light on the question of sugar beet growing, particularly.

Mormon preachers have been circulating Mormon literature around North Platte making a house-to-house canvass and working hard to add new converts to their faith. North Platte might contribute enough converts to start a Mormon colony and still they would not be missed by the balance of the churches but it would be pretty hard on the populists party.—Gothaburg Independent.

The B. & M. railroad company has arranged to go into the experimental farming business this season under the Campbell method. General Manager Holdrege and general passenger agent Francis have located six model farms in the state, on which they will employ good farmers to operate them entirely under the Campbell method. The following stations have been located in Nebraska with managers appointed as follows: Broken Bow with F. M. Rublee manager, McCook by S. B. Hart, Curtis A. R. Cruse manager, Alma E. H. Batey manager, Holdrege H. H. Barber manager, Hastings G. H. Pratt manager.

—The weather forecast: Fair to-night, Wednesday probably fair; The maximum temperature yesterday at North Platte was 62, minimum in past 24 hours 22, precipitation 00. For the same period and time one year ago the maximum temperature was 51; minimum 8, at 8:30 9; precipitation 0.

—W. T. Page, of Wellfleet, has just graduated from the shorthand department of the Lincoln business college.

ACTION AGAINST THE UNION PACIFIC.

It is authentically reported that the Department of Justice contemplates action to be taken at an early date looking to the foreclosure by the Government of the Union Pacific mortgage, with the probability also of similar proceedings against the Central and Kansas Pacific. Such a step is considered imperative to protect the Government's interest in these holdings, and has only been deferred in view of the pending action by congress. A large portion of the first mortgage bonds, as well as second mortgage, will mature with the beginning of 1897. The holders of the first mortgage bonds would naturally have priority over the government, but it is said that the attorney general has construed the original and amended Pacific railroad acts as conferring ample power upon the government to proceed, irrespective of any course which the first mortgage holders may see fit to take.

Four hundred and fifty millions of dollars is a large sum; it is about equal to the yearly income of the government of the United States. Yet it is the amount that is owned by persons of moderate means, most of them wage-earners, in one state of the union. The deposits in savings banks (the purely commercial deposits in other banks being left out of the reckoning) amount to the vast sum that we have named. Every year the insurance companies pay out \$84,000,000, much of it in sums ranging between \$100,000 and \$5,000, to the widows and orphans of deceased insureds. The yearly earnings, by way of interest, upon the deposits in savings banks in New York aggregate \$16,000,000. Who are the capitalists? It is from the savings banks and insurance societies that cities borrow the money, secured by municipal bonds, for the extension of waterworks or for other civic needs. The interest-bearing road improvement bonds of the counties are bought by these associations. The farm loans (and mortgages) of the far west come from these sources. And, when the investment seems unusually safe, street and other railway companies borrow from the vast capital of the savings of labor.—Inter Ocean.

LIFE IN GREAT CITIES.

Some of the Moral Dangers as Seen by Professor Adler.

"The Moral Dangers of Life in a Great City" formed the theme of Professor Felix Adler's recent lecture in Carnegie hall. Among other things he said:

Among the difficulties of bringing up children in the city is the getting of right associates for them. The moral relation of neighborliness is obliterated in a city. We don't know our next door neighbor. We don't know whether it is proper to allow our children to associate with others. The most powerful educators of a child are his associates. If you send your child to a school attended by children of the wealthy, these children will probably have the outward polish of politeness, but to take that for good morals is the worst mistake in the world. If you send your child to a public school, you can have no idea as to what associations he may form. A remedy for this would be the establishment of endowed schools, from which the improper class could be weeded out. The public school evils could be mitigated by making the classes smaller, by the establishment of disciplinary schools and by paying more attention to development of character as the aim and end of education.

Another evil of cities is the repression of children in play, which is the exercise of faculties for the pleasure of exercising them. Repression of play injures the child physically and morally. In the cities he is forbidden to shout, to walk on the grass in the parks or to pick flowers, and the tenement house children have no resource from their two or three room homes but the streets. The things they learn there we all know. Children should have winter as well as summer excursions to the country. They should have playgrounds in summer and play halls in winter in the city.

My second point is the perversion of the play instinct among adults. We must all play. It is the preservative of the mature. We need this if we would keep them fresh and elastic. Bright conversation, music, the drama and games are modes of play. Chess, checkers, whist, are all healthful methods of play, but you pervert all this the moment you play for a stake, for the efficacy of play is bringing the faculties into disinterested exercise with no object aimed at. Otherwise it becomes something else—gambling, for instance.

50 Per Cent Discount.

You can return the compliment of that unexpected present if you attend our

Clearing up Sale of Holiday Goods.

All the odds and ends of our Holiday line have been placed on two counters, where they are easy to inspect, and priced in a way that makes them easy to buy. Every article is worth just as much now as before Christmas, and what's more if you intend to spend a dollar or a dime for anything in this line, you can get it for one-half its regular price.

Yours for business,
THE FAIR,
RICHARDS BROS.

50 Per Cent Discount.

U. P. TIME TABLE.

GOING EAST—CENTRAL TIME.	
No. 2—Fast Mail	8:45 a. m.
No. 4—Atlantic Express	11:40 a. m.
No. 28—Freight	7:00 a. m.

GOING WEST—MOUNTAIN TIME.	
No. 1—Limited	3:55 p. m.
No. 3—Fast Mail	11:20 p. m.
No. 23—Freight	7:30 a. m.
No. 19—Freight	1:40 p. m.

N. B. OLDS, Agent.

Legal Notices.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at North Platte, Neb., December 17, 1896.
Notice is hereby given that Michael C. Harrington, Register and Receiver, at his office in North Platte, Neb., on the 28th day of December, 1896, on timber culture application No. 12,294, for the southwest quarter of section No. 4, in township No. 14 north, range No. 30 west. He names as witnesses Isaac Lamplugh, Harry Lamplugh, Alvin T. Lester Walker, all of North Platte, Nebraska. JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at North Platte, Neb., December 17, 1896.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Neb., on January 19th, 1897, viz: JOHN HANSEN, who made Homestead Entry No. 13,750, for the southwest quarter section 24, township 19 north, range 26 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Eugene Hansen, Peter Homl, George Schmid and Henry W. Miller, all of Curdle, Neb. JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

NOTICE—TIMBER CULTURE.
U. S. Land Office, North Platte, Neb., December 17th, 1896.
Complaint having been filed in office by James C. Crow against Octavus Robertson for failure to comply with law as to Timber Culture Entry No. 12,722 dated December 18th, 1890, upon the northeast quarter of section 28, township 12 N., range 30 W., in Lincoln county, Nebraska, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, contestant alleging that the claim has been wholly abandoned for the last five years and that there has been no trees, tree seeds or cuttings planted on the claim; the said parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 6th day of February, 1897, at 9 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony concerning said alleged failure. D-25 JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at North Platte, Neb., December 21st, 1896.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver at North Platte, Nebraska, on January 29th, 1897, viz: Jacob Vincent, who made Homestead Entry No. 13,606 for the Northwest quarter of section 22, township 12 North, Range 30 West. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James Roberts, Jacob Lillian and Albert Maddox, all of Moorhead, Neb. JOHN F. HINMAN, Register.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN County, Nebraska.
CALVIN T. DAWSON, Plaintiff,
vs.
FRANK KRAMER, ET AL., Defendants.

NOTICE.
The Lombard Investment Company, a corporation, will take notice that on the 1st day of December, 1896, Calvin T. Dawson, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lincoln county, Nebraska, against said defendants, the subject and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the defendant, Frank Kramer to the Lombard Investment Company upon the following described real estate owned by him situated in the county of Lincoln and state of Nebraska, to-wit:

The west half of the northeast quarter and the east thirty-three (33) acres of the east half of the northeast quarter of section number twenty-eight (28) in township number ten (10) north, range thirty (30) west of the sixth principal meridian, containing in all 141 acres according to government survey to secure the payment of a certain promissory note, with coupons attached, dated July 13th, 1894, for the sum of \$600.00, due and payable on the 1st day of July, 1896, that there is now due upon said note the sum of \$600.00, with interest thereon at ten per cent from July 1st, 1896; also the further sum of \$10.00, with interest at ten per cent from the 28th day of September, 1896, for which sum, with interest from that date, plaintiff prays for a decree that defendants be required to pay the same, or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due. You are required to answer said petition on or before the 1st day of February, 1897.

CALLER T. BUFFY Plattell, D-14
By A. B. COVENS, his attorney.

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