

Memorial Service.

We have been asked to invite friends of the late Geo. H. Handley to the memorial service at the M.E. church on Sunday next, at 2:30 p.m.

SOUTH PRAIRIE.

Ah, the snow, the beautiful snow. Beg pardon, Mr. Editor. Mrs. Curtis Johnson has built herself a new residence.

School district No. 2 has voted a two mill tax. School board decided that school should begin from the 10th to 15th March. Teacher's applications are now in order.

The matrimonial event of the year so far on the prairie was the marriage last Saturday of Mr. DeRoy Quick and Miss Ida High, of Netarts. The young couple start the new life to them, with fair prospects, and have the best wishes of the entire community that their union may be a long and happy one.

Our Social Society on the prairie, under the leadership of Mr. Green, has reached a stage that makes it more than a success. Besides the gramophone, organ and violin music. There are declamations and dialogues by the old as well as the young, with stage and curtain paraphernalia, with a general social time thrown in, all of which shows what a community can do when they unite in a matter. Next entertainment two weeks from last Saturday evening.

NEKOWIN.

Work is progressing nicely this good weather on the new change on the road to Slab Creek.

Miss Amy Taylor is visiting at Mrs. C. Christensen's.

A. M. Commons and family spent Sunday at the home of A. W. Fletcher.

Dr. Wood, wife and child returned to their home in Amity, Or., on the 23rd, after spending a pleasant week with the doctor's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Goers have been on the sick list.

Whooping cough is prevalent in the neighborhood.

Quite a snowstorm on the 26th.

Both the Oretown and Meda schools will be closed this week.

Mrs. J. C. Foster spent a few days with Mrs. C. Fletcher this week.

There was quite a gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Commons on Wednesday evening, it being in the nature of a surprise. The evening was delightfully spent in card playing, music, etc. A beautiful luncheon with coffee was served at midnight, after which all departed for their homes with pleasant recollections of a sociable good time. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Kellar, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hellenbrand, Mr. Dr. Wood, Misses Ludie and Enla Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Makinster, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. J. Butcher, Mrs. C. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pottet, Mrs. J. C. Foster, D. R. S. Daley, Miss Wallace, Miss Audrey McClane, Miss Daisy Fletcher, Claude Christensen, Lee Wood, Floyd and Carl Commons.

NEHALEM.

Just a touch of winter.

Mrs. Merit Batterson is very low. Her sister, Miss Hannah Ek, is expected in from Portland.

Mr. Fred Miller, of Tillamook, moved up on to the Himple ranch, with about fifty head of his stock.

The Newell boys killed a bear on Tuesday, which their dogs discovered in a hollow tree.

The Literary continues to be the attraction Friday nights.

Mr. Mitchell, the foreman of the coal miners, is elated at the flattering prospects, as a result of the tunneling on the Pearson place, at Necanic.

SAND LAKE.

A social hop was well enjoyed at Rocinets Tuesday last. A large crowd and everybody happy.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Webb were visitors at W. C. King's on Saturday.

M. Sommer and wife were visitors at R. R. Creighton's on Monday.

Cold around the edges, isn't it?

Miss Cinda Harris lost a gold watch while walking on the beach last Saturday.

Not much politics around here, the vibrations from the hub meanders through here occasionally.

Rev. Mr. Waymire will preach at Sand Lake the second Sunday in February.

He is Now a Maniac.

SPokane, Wash., Jan. 27.—Hans Younger has been driven insane as a result of being put into a hypnotic sleep last Tuesday night. He was today committed to the Asylum. Two physicians declare that his dementia is a result of hypnotism. Younger, who is a Danish laborer, is said to have been hypnotized on a variety theater stage. He was found at a lodging house in a semi-rigid condition and remained in a cataleptic state until last night, occasionally reviving to take food. When he was aroused last night he exhibited symptoms of insanity, which have steadily increased. The authorities are endeavoring to determine who hypnotized the man, and say a criminal prosecution will follow. There is no law against hypnotism, but the guilty person will be punished under the statute which prohibits damage of a person or his property. The case is a most peculiar one and has caused widespread comment among the medical fraternity. Younger has no known relatives.

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Out of the Ordinary.

The czar wears a ring in which he believes is imbedded a piece of the true cross. It was originally one of the treasures of the vatican.

A bill has been introduced by Senator Hawley, of Connecticut for the relief of Mary McLenn Wylyss of East Glastonbury, Conn. She is 97 years old and is the daughter of James McLenn, a soldier of the revolution. The woman is very poor and it is proposed that she be given a pension of \$12 per month.

Dr. John P. Wood, the oldest practicing physician in the world, celebrated his 101st birthday at Coffeyville, Kan., on January 4th. When Kansas was admitted into statehood he was a United States commissioner and John Brown was twice brought before him, once charged with murder and once with harboring fugitive slaves.

Alderman Donohue, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., won fame some time ago by taking off his coat and soundly thrashing a wife beater who was brought before him for trial. He has again come into prominence by championing the cause of a wife who objected to her husband warping his cold feet against her back. When she objected the brute kicked her out of bed. Mr. Donohue sent him to jail for ten days, saying he was sorry that was the limit.

Ireland has had many long-lived people. The oldest person now living there is said to be an old woman named McIver, who was born near Londonderry in 1792 and who remembers the Irish rebellion of 1789 and Napoleon's wars. She has lived a hard life, breaking stones in a quarry and tending cattle in her younger days, while living in a rough tent. Now she is more comfortable and lives in a little hut.

Evidence has been found proving almost beyond a doubt that the crucifix found at Frankfort Mich., last summer by workmen excavating for the foundation for the Ann Arbor summer hotel there, was property of Pere Marquette, the famous Indian missionary. Its possession has been disputed since its finding, but it has now been turned over to the Ann Arbor Railroad company. When the rust was cleaned from its pedestal, the date 1664 was found on one side, while on the opposite was found the inscription "M. & C., Quebec." Marquette left Quebec for upper Michigan in 1668 and was buried at Frankfort.

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SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY.

In five years American trade with Australia in leather goods has quadrupled.

According to chemical analysis, 15 parts of the flesh of fish have about the same nutritive value as 12 parts of boneless beef.

The oldest German coal mines were first worked in 1195. They are near Worms. England did not begin to mine its coal until the fourteenth century.

A reasonably active man walks about 297,200 miles, more than ten times the earth's circumference, in 84 years, just trotting about his house and office.

The rapid destruction of the spruce forests of the eastern United States may be realized when it is understood that one daily paper used the growth on 22 acres in two days, the wood having been reduced to pulp and turned into paper.

It is a common experience among mountain climbers to find butterflies lying frozen on the snow, and so brittle that they break unless they are very carefully handled. Such frozen butterflies on being taken to a warmer climate recover themselves and fly away. Six species of butterflies have been found within a few hundred miles of the north pole.

Aluminum has just been used for the construction of a new fireproof curtain to be used in the opera house, Besancon. The curtain is 60 feet wide by 54 feet high, and its total weight, composed of aluminum sheets one-twelfth of an inch thick, will be 4,000 pounds. Had sheet iron been used instead of the lighter metal the weight would have increased to 11,000 pounds.

The enterprising city authorities of a small northern borough have been trying the experiment of sprinkling a street with sea water. They find that such water binds the dirt together between the paving stones, so that when it is dry no loose dust is formed to be raised by the wind; that sea water does not dry so quickly as fresh water so that when salt water has been used one load of it is equal to three loads of fresh water. The salt water which is deposited on the street absorbs moisture from the air at night, whereby the street is thoroughly moist during the early morning, and has the appearance of having been freshly sprinkled.

SMOKELESS POWDER.

The Firing Said to Be Extremely Terrifying to Both Men and Horses.

In the British army the four-legged recruits are drawn up in a ring round an instructor, who fires a pistol. Some take the flash and report very quietly and these are soon passed on to severer trials, while the others have lesson after lesson until they are quite convinced that there is no danger to them and before long you might fire a seven-pounder within a yard of them and they would hardly look around. After this they are taught to face fire—that is to say, to gallop fearlessly up to a line or square of infantry, blazing away with their rifles, and to charge batteries of quick-firing guns. Of course, only blank cartridges are used, and so to a trained horse going into battle for the first time there is no difference between the harmless thunder of the maneuvers and the death-dealing storm which sweeps over the battlefield. The poor brute only learns what the difference really is by bitter experience.

When smokeless powder came into general use it was found that in many cases horses which would face the smoke of guns using black powder without flinching flinched and shied at the flash and roar unaccompanied by smoke. Continental opinion is somewhat divided as to the moral effect of smokeless powder on men and horses, but the general conclusion seems to be that in daylight it is not more terrifying than black powder, although some hold that to see men and horses struck down by an invisible agency must necessarily be so. But it is generally agreed that the use of smokeless powder at night has a much more disturbing effect than that of the old powder, because the flashes of the guns, unobscured by smoke, are a great deal more vivid. The fear thus inspired can, however, be overcome by training, but there is another fear which must, in the nature of the case, be felt for the first time on the battlefield, and that is the often uncontrollable terror produced both in men and horses by the whistling of bullets and the screaming and banging of shells. Some authorities have, indeed, said that since the introduction of smokeless powder and the great increase in the range and accuracy of weapons, it would be impossible to keep cavalry in hand under the fire of modern artillery, but this is probably an exaggeration.—Pearson's Magazine.

He Couldn't Help It.

"I am astonished to hear you say that Fralemann told you all these things; I gave them to him in strict confidence."

"Yes, but he says you told them to him during your late voyage to Europe."

"So I did, but what's that got to do with it?"

"Everything. You can't expect a man to keep anything to himself on his first ocean voyage, can you?"—Richmond Dispatch.

His Idea.

Little Gabe (in the midst of his reading)—"Why, I didn't know that rabbits knew anything about arithmetic."

Farmer Hawbuck—"They don't."

"But, paw, it says here that rabbits multiply with astonishing rapidity."

Judge.

No Newspapers in Morocco.

The empire of Morocco is the most important state that is absolutely without a newspaper.—N. Y. Sun.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

"Spouter says he dreamed he was making a great speech last night, and got so wrought up that he tumbled out of bed."—"I see. He took the floor."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

"Look out! I'm after you," shouted the seal hunter. "I don't give a rap," replied the humorous seal, disappearing under the waves at that moment.—Standard and Catholic Times.

Edwin—"How do you know that it was a man that wrote the novel?" Helen—"Because the story takes over a period of ten years, and the heroine never changes her dress but once."—The Rival.

Unhappily Expressed.—She (who did not know they were to meet)—"Why, Mr. Brown, this is a pleasant surprise!" He (who did)—"I can't altogether say that it is so to me, Miss Jones."—Punch.

"Boreome spoke for nearly an hour at the meeting last night."—"Yes, I left when I heard him say that there was really nothing new to be said upon the subject. I knew that meant that he would go on indefinitely."—Boston Transcript.

Clarissa—"Henrietta, you needn't try to deceive me—you have some painful memories connected with that man." Henrietta—"Well, I think so. He kept me dressed up hot afternoons at that watering place last summer, and then didn't propose."—Life.

Caller—"I understand that your husband distinguished himself at the banquet last evening." Mrs. Ruby—"Possibly; but it was more than he could do when he reached home."—What-to-Eat.

Abner—"This here paper mentions 'bout diplomatic relations with Spain bein' resumed. What air diplomatic relations, anyhow?" Josh—"Reckon they must be the kind that used their vacation ter visit our farm."—Philadelphia Record.

THE SUNFLOWER.

Pretty Little Tale of the Water Nymph Clytie, Who Was Turned Into One.

There is hardly anyone who cannot catch a glimpse of the sometimes saucy, sometimes sad face in the pansy and heartsease. By just partially closing the eyes one can see many pretty child faces in the pansy bed. But of a different class is the face of Clytie (the sunflower).

She was a water nymph. All the joy and brightness of her life, she felt, came from the glowing sun above, to whom she looked up in ever-growing wonder and admiration. And it was but natural that her admiration should change to love, for whenever she looked away from that bright face, to her eyes, blinded by its brilliancy, the world and all things else seemed black and comfortless.

Used as he was to worship, the heartless sun god, Apollo, grew tired of seeing the countenance turned ever toward him. Indeed, so ardently did it reflect his gleam that he seemed to be held to that one spot with a kind of fascination. Of course that would never do. Grass and flowers and trees would soon be so parched and dried that their very life would wither away.

Still Clytie gazed with burning, passionate eyes into the heart of her god, but found it empty of all love for her. Worse than blank it was, for a great anger toward that charm which held him transfixed was fast filling it. With a last mighty effort he turned away with a resolve that he would never again bless that land with his light.

Nine days Clytie sat on the cold ground, with her unbound hair streaming over her shoulders. Other lovers wooed her; the gentle breeze kissed her and sought to turn her thoughts from her lost love to himself; the dew dropped quietly beside her and even enveloped her in his embrace. But there she sat, tasting neither food nor drink. She gazed toward the clouded sky in vain longing. Still as each day dawned she caught but one glimpse of the sun before he turned his horses away and swept on to the west.

Soon her limbs became rooted to the ground and her streaming hair turned into petals, flashing out around her face like the rays of the sun god himself. Every morning, so they say, this sunflower turns on its stem, and Clytie, sad and somber, looks out from her golden halo of petals and follows with mournful eyes the course of Apollo's chariot.—Chicago Record.

Baseball for a Tombstone.

The grave of William A. Hulbert, in Graceland cemetery, is perhaps the only one in the world which is marked with a tombstone in the shape of a baseball. Mr. Hulbert was the president of the old National league, and when he died, in 1882, some of his old associates set about to show their love and respect for him, and the result was the monument in Graceland. The baseball is made of red granite, about 20 inches in diameter, showing the seams as they appear upon one of the balls used in regulation games. Across the top appears, in raised letters: "W. A. Hulbert, President National League, P. B. C., 1876, 1882." On one side appear the names of four clubs in the old league.—Boston, Providence, Worcester, Troy—and on the other those of the other four—Chicago, Cleveland, Buffalo, Detroit. Also there is a headstone of white marble, upon which appears the name, together with the date of birth, October 23, 1832, and the date of death, April 10, 1882.—Chicago Tribune.

Hellgoland.

Since Hellgoland was acquired by the Germans nine years ago, it has been thoroughly Germanized, and the inhabitants have almost forgotten how to speak English. Grim fortifications have been built to protect warships guarding the Elbe route, and the island is ceasing to be such a pleasure resort for the English as in former years.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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