

Around Town.

Wheat, 69 cents. Cash Yancey has a new bass-viol. A. Haskell has a new Esty organ. Miss Isadore Cowen is teaching at the high school. Mrs. Whidden entertained the young fry, Saturday night. Mrs. Ed. Bradley has gone to Frazee, Minn., for the winter. Hank Gillespie has lost his valuable bird dog. A. Curry, of Romness, renews his COURIER subscription. Ye editor spent New Year's in Valley City, the guest of J. C. Evans. The week of prayer is being observed by our churches. The train was delayed, Monday, by a break down of the engine. Geo. W. Greenleese doesn't admire a bumpy horse—in cold weather. The mite social at Mr. Washburn's, last Friday night, was largely attended, and heartily enjoyed. John H. Atchison, of Gallatin, renewed his subscription to the COURIER, this week. Train No. 13, on the main line, was blocked at Sanborn last night. The Cooperstown train was on time. Mrs. A. N. Adams presented her husband with a fine ten-pound boy, Wednesday night. Mother and child are doing well. The elevator at Colgate, four miles below Hope, was burned down, Tuesday morning. The elevator was full of grain. John Regnery was thrown out of a cutter, in going to the Mardell dance, and broke his leg in three places—almost. He is limping, from the accident, yet. It is reported in Sanborn that the Cooperstown track is to be torn up in the spring. If Thayer's dirigible balloon proves a success, we would as leave balloon it to Sanborn as any way. Mrs. Hiram Williams died, Saturday, of cancer of the stomach. Mrs. Williams has been a devoted wife and mother, and enjoyed the respect of all who knew her. The funeral was held Monday afternoon, at 3 p. m. Mr. Jo. Jamison, the popular young clerk at Whidden's, drove over to Hope, last Thursday, returning Tuesday. Jo. says it's a base fabrication—that report about his going to get married. According to the New Rockford Transcript, the farmers of Eddy county will organize a Home Mutual Insurance company. A snowstorm prevailed throughout Scotland December 30. A railway train headed by three engines and two snow plows are employed in the county of Calhoun, and all roads are blocked. Chatley Allen attended the engineers' ball, in Fargo, and reports it to have been a wild dream of delight,—delirious music, Epicurean refreshments, and the ladies indistinguishable from angels, in their most recherche toilettes. Harry Pickett goes east for his annual vacation, to-morrow. He will, before he returns, visit Louisville and other southern cities.

Wedding Bells.

The following invitation explains itself. "Mr. and Mrs. Josiah P. Fitch request the pleasure of your company at the marriage of their daughter, Bessie, to Mr. Maynard Crane, Thursday evening, January 14th, at 8 o'clock, 240 West 43d street." We wish the young couple a long life together, and a happy one. We have also another pleasant wedding invitation for January 14th. Miss Carrie Kellogg, of Madison, Wis., a niece of the editor, will that evening be married to Mr. Brigham Bliss, a young banker of Minneapolis, well known to some of the Courier's readers. Mr. and Mrs. Bliss will reside in Minneapolis. Mr. A. and Mrs. B., although very amiable people generally, enjoy a mutual dislike, verging on hatred, while Mrs. A. and Mrs. B. are great chums. Mr. A., while returning home the other night with his young Sammy, saw Mrs. B., through the window, eating cold chicken with Mrs. A. "I wonder," said A., with a swear word, "if I've got to eat supper with that thing?" Sammy made no reply; but when he went into the dining room, blurted out: "Say, Ma, Pa wants to know if he has got to eat supper with that thing?" There was a dead silence,—a sharp cuff, a wild yell, and father and son went into the back kitchen.



The Sunday School benefit concert is said to have been a particularly elegant one; but slimly attended. It is to be hoped it will be repeated at an early day. The refreshments were peculiarly rich and substantial, according to Messrs. Cooper and Brown—so much so that R. C. didn't care to beat his oyster supper record on ice cream.

An Italian Smuggler's Work. A horrible story is related of an Italian boatman who left Victoria, B. C., one day last summer, with seven Chinamen for the American side of the straits of Fuca. When almost across he saw the United States revenue cutter, coming towards him with the evident intention of examining his craft. He became alarmed, and to avoid the penalties attached to the offense of smuggling Chinese into the United States, resolved to make way with the evidence of his guilt. He called the Chinamen out of the cabin, one by one, and as they came struck them on the head with a club and pitched them overboard. In this way he got rid of the whole number, and when boarded by the boat from the cutter, no evidence of a criminal nature was found. An investigation will be held with a view of ascertaining the truth. A recently convicted smuggler, now in the penitentiary, is authority for the story.

Seized By the British. LONDON, Dec. 31.—Tomorrow the government will signalize the new year by issuing a proclamation signed by command of her Majesty, both as Queen of England and Empress of India. The proclamation is addressed to all the inhabitants of Great Britain and India, who are thereby notified that the territories formerly governed by King Theebaw are no longer under his rule, but have become a part of her Majesty's dominions and will be administered during her pleasure by officers appointed by the Viceroy of India. There is no mention of a protectorate, or even of annexation. It is a plain and simple appropriation by conquest of a territory equal in area to all of New England, with New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Virginia added, and a population of over 4,000,000. This has been the programme of the government, and especially of Lord Randolph Churchill, the Secretary for India, ever since General Prendergast started from Rangoon to invade the country. The delay in issuing the proclamation is due to the time required to obtain the consent of the other powers. Most of them made no objection, but it is said that the consent of France and Russia was tardily and reluctantly given.

Commissioner Halverson froze his nose severely, this morning.

Female Education in Russia.

The inauguration of the new lecture room for women at St. Petersburg has suggested to more than one newspaper the timeliness of giving a brief summary of what has been done in Russia during the last eighteen years in the way of female education. The idea of a school of higher education for women dates from 1867, in which year Mme. Conrade presented to the congress of naturalists then assembled at St. Petersburg a memoir in which she pointed out not only the usefulness, but the practicability of creating a university for women. The congress ruled her proposals as out of order, but in the following year four hundred Russian women presented a written demand to the professors of the St. Petersburg university, asking them to organize special lectures upon the scientific subjects which form part of the university programme. The professors assented readily, but the minister of public instruction did not see his way to authorize these lectures except in a very modified form, but the impulse was given, and after the lectures had been given in this modified form from 1870 to 1875 they were converted in the latter year, thanks to the favorable view of them taken by Count Demetri Tolstoi, the minister of public instruction, into regular courses of teaching, one of the organizers of them being Prof. Bestujeff-Rumine, the well-known historian. The necessary funds were provided by a charitable association, which appointed a special committee to administer the money provided for the purpose, this committee being still in existence. In the first year of the lectures being authorized they were attended by 581 students, and the number has steadily increased, the total for the last seven years being upward of 2,500. The amount of which the association above mentioned has been able to dispose during that period exceeds 300,000 rubles, a large proportion of which has been contributed by the students in the shape of fees. The cost of keeping up the lectures will be considerably reduced by the construction of the new building. The rent of the building in which the lectures have hitherto been given was 30,000 rubles per annum, while the interest of the capital spent in erecting the new building will be less than 10,000 rubles per annum.

DAZEY TIME TABLE. S. C. & T. M. RAILROAD. Going South... 10 a.m. Going North... 2:45 p.m. Any information as to connections with trains at Sanborn, and rates quoted on tickets to all points in the United States and Canada, cheerfully given. C. F. WEILAND, Agent.

—LOCALS.— Wheat 69 cents. The elevator is in running order again. L. E. Nelson returned from Fargo, Tuesday. C. F. Weiland went to Fargo, Tuesday. Robt. Clendening came up from Wheatland, Friday. Prairie chickens will be safe next summer, as Otto Holman's Golden setter set his last, Sunday night. Manuel Anderson has been seriously ill, but is better. W. J. Wheeler's smiling face denoted something last week. We learn it was caused by the arrival of a girl baby, New Year's morn. Mother and child are doing nicely. Miss Cora Pattison has gone to Fargo, to attend the Sisters' school during the winter. Miss Etta Clendening, after closing her term of school, has gone to St. Paul where she will attend college for two years. Miss Etta will be sadly missed among our social circle. Mrs. Livermore, daughter of S. J. Russell, while driving from his place to her brother's, last Friday, was chased by six prairie wolves. Mrs. Livermore, realizing her immediate danger, gave rein to the horse, and was soon landed safely at her destination.

License. (Communicated.) To the Editor of the Courier. It seems to me that if the county commissioners want to stop the liquor trade, they better join the prohibition party, and not kill the town, and throw away \$2,000 of the county's money to help such towns as Dazey and Hope. If they stop it all over the territory, we are satisfied; but don't like to have our town picked-out for the business. Hoping you will publish this, I am, ONE INTERESTED.

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