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PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, MONDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 21, 1887.

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Mayor, J. D. NICHOLS
City Clerk, J. H. WATKINS
Treasurer, J. H. WATKINS
Engineer, J. H. WATKINS
Police Judge, J. H. WATKINS
Marshal, J. H. WATKINS
Councillors, 1st ward, J. V. WOODRUFF
2nd " J. W. WHITE
3rd " J. M. JONES
4th " J. M. MURPHY
5th " J. W. DUFFY
6th " J. S. GREGORY
7th " J. P. McALLAN, Pres.
8th " J. W. JOHNS, Chairman
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Treasurer, D. A. CAMPBELL
Deputy Treasurer, J. M. ROBERTSON
Clerk, J. M. ROBERTSON
Deputy Clerk, C. W. McPHERSON
Chief of District Court, J. M. ROBERTSON
Sheriff, J. C. McPHERSON
Deputy Sheriff, J. C. McPHERSON
Surgeon, J. C. McPHERSON
At-Large, ALLEN BERSON
Supt. of Pub. Schools, MAXWELL STEINER
County Jailor, C. ROSSIGNOL

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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CIVIC SOCIETIES.

CLASS LODGE No. 146, I. O. O. F. Meets every Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All transient brethren are respectfully invited to attend.
TRIO LODGE No. 81, A. O. U. W. Meets every alternate Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Transient members are respectfully invited to attend. E. H. White, Master; Workman; H. E. White, Foreman; E. J. Morgan, Overseer; J. E. Morris, Recorder.
CLASS CAMP No. 102, MODERN WOODMEN of America. Meets second and fourth Monday evening at 8 o'clock. All transient members are respectfully invited to attend. L. A. Newcomer, Vice; J. C. Green, Foreman; S. C. Wilde, Recorder; J. A. Newcomer, Overseer.

PLATTSMOUTH LODGE No. 8, A. O. U. W. Meets every alternate Friday evening at 8 o'clock in hall at 100 S. 4th St. All transient members are respectfully invited to attend. J. A. Gutsche, M. W.; S. C. Green, Foreman; S. C. Wilde, Recorder; J. A. Newcomer, Overseer.

McCOMBIE POST 45 G. A. R.
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Liverpool & London-Globe-Eng.	6,230,781
North Brit. & Mercantile-Eng.	5,278,754
North Union-England	1,245,425
Springfield P. & M.-Springfield	3,044,915
Total Assets	\$42,115,774

Losses Adjusted and Paid at this Agency

Thanksgiving.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 4.—Governor Thayer has issued the following proclamation:
STATE OF NEBRASKA,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 4, 1887.
At this season of the year when the earth has given forth an abundant increase, when the harvests have been gathered, and realizing that the year, which is now drawing to a close, has been one of plenty, health and happiness to the people of Nebraska, it is my duty to observe the day of Thanksgiving to our heavenly Father for his unspokeable goodness.
In accordance with an appropriate and time honored custom, and conforming to the proclamation of the president of the United States, I, John M. Thayer, governor of the state of Nebraska, do hereby set apart Thursday, the 21st day of this month as a day of thanksgiving, prayer and praise to the Supreme Ruler of the universe for his rich and manifold blessings.
I recommend that, on that day, the people lay aside their usual avocations, and, assembling to their accustomed place devoted to Christian worship, render to Him the praises which are due for the innumerable favors He has vouchsafed to us as a people.
And while it should be a day of rejoicing, when we should and others long separated, shall unite again to joyful reunions, the poor and needy should be remembered in kindly remembrance, thus imitating the example of our divine Master who, while upon the earth, went about doing good.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand, and caused the great seal of the state to be hereunto affixed, Done at Lincoln this 21st day of November, A. D. 1887.
JOHN M. THAYER,
Governor of Nebraska.
G. L. SAWS, Secretary of State.

Latest by Telegraph.

BOBBERED AND STOLEN.

SUNK IN THE CHANNEL.

Two Steamships Collide Off the Coast of Dover.

An Appalling Loss of Life.

Dover, Eng., Nov. 20.—Yesterday the steamer W. A. Scholten left Rotterdam for New York, having on board very few passengers, but about one hundred and eighty steerage. It steamed toward the straits of Dover in the thick, hazy weather, which opened to a heavy fog as it was approaching the Dover coast at 10 p. m., Saturday night, about ten miles southeast of South Sand Head, a few miles from admiralty pier. Here the Rosa Mary, a small screw steamer from Hartlepool was at anchor, when the Scholten, running at slow speed, ran into the Rosa Mary, striking her on the port bow.
The story is best told in the following narrative which your correspondent obtained from the lips of the mariners. The only resident of New York aboard was Lawrence Geaken, sub-agent of the company in New York, who had been home in Rotterdam on business and pleasure, and was returning to New York. He said: "At 10:30 she sank gradually by the head. Two life boats were lowered and overcrowded. There was no time to lower any other boat. We sent up a rocket of blue lights for assistance and blew our whistle continually. Our signals were sighted by the steamer Ebro, which came into the middle of the wreckage of the sinking ship, took aboard the passengers of the two boats and so many others as were found floating. Our boats and the Ebro's boats rowed around for four hours and picked up all they could who were struggling in the water, and, as nothing more could be found, we came into Dover. It would have been useless to have stayed any longer, as the tide would have carried the others too far away for us to be of any assistance."
One of the crew of the Scholten who was saved, said: "The collision damaged the Scholten on the port bow. The Rosa Mary was heading at anchor eastward at the time. Nearly all the passengers were asleep below. Our ship sank in twenty minutes. There was great confusion and more have been lost than saved, going down with the vessel. We had only time to lower two life boats and there was a great rush for these, the captain doing all he could. Many jumped overboard."
TWENTY-ONE BODIES lie in the dead house, including the chief officer, fourth engineer and second steward. The remainder have not yet been identified. The inquest will be held tomorrow early in the morning. The passengers will go to the dead house and try to recognize some of their unfortunate relatives.
The superintendent of the sailor's home which is made a temporary morgue, said that all had been confused to-day, but managed to feed all in the home. Some, however, had to sleep out. Everyone appears tolerably cheerful. Almost all are without boots, hats and other articles of clothing. The weather was bitter cold.
The total number of crew and passengers reported to have been on board was 210, thus leaving 130 missing and doubtless drowned.

DI ASTROUS FIRE AT YORK.

The Beautiful Nebraska Village Suffers Heavy Damage.

YORK, Neb., Nov. 20.—A disastrous fire broke out at 7 o'clock this morning in Smiek's billiard hall, in Union block, and before noon the Union and Masonic blocks, containing seven stores, one hundred feet deep, had gone up in flames and smoke, involving a loss of over \$100,000. The whole south side of the block facing the court house is laid waste with the exception of the opera block. The buildings were owned by Anton Simmerer, of Nebraska City, C. J. Nobes, Hamlin Bros. and M. D. Emsel, who have only a partial insurance. The heaviest losers are the owners of the buildings and the following occupants: Carl Simmerer, general merchant; Barr Bros., furniture, F. D. Whedon, postoffice; W. C. Frank, news and books; Smiek's billiard hall; Vail & Greene, boots and shoes; Singer Manufacturing company, sewing machines; Ewin & Butler, dry goods; Cole & Thomas, groceries; W. H. Cowell, law office; Jasper Hoffman, law office; Hamlin Bros., loan office; the sheriff's office; the large and beautiful Masonic hall, the finest furnished room of the kind in the state; the York Press office, including a power press, engines and a large stock of paper goods; Joseph Kulbert, tailor, the Lederkranz hall and a number of private dwelling rooms. The hook and ladder company made heroic efforts to save the block and after fighting the flames against fearful odds succeeded in subduing the fire. Chief Newberry and his department arrived from Lincoln after the fire had been gotten under control and did good work to quench the flames. W. K. Williams, clothing; Bender Bros. & Co., confectionery; Ira A. Smith, jeweler, and the Citizen's State bank, occupants of the opera block, are also heavy losers on account of moving their stocks into the street. All the county offices were in the opera building and narrowly escaped being destroyed with all the valuable county records. The loss falls very heavily on some of our most enterprising and public-spirited citizens. The blocks destroyed were nearly new and comprised the best business front in the city.
The origin of the fire is as yet unknown but is believed by many to be accidental. A prominent physician reports that he was returning from the country at 4 o'clock this morning and saw a light and men playing cards in the billiard hall. As the fire started in this room, it is the generally accepted theory that some of these men dropped a cigar stub that ignited the building.
There is a widespread opinion in favor of the theory that the conflagration was the work of an incendiary. The argument in favor of this theory is that after the fire had gained headway in the Masonic block a blaze was discovered in the district clerk's office in the opera building which must have been set by one who broke through the back window, which was found broken open. Postmaster Whedon saved all the government property and mail matter in the postoffice and has the office located in another room and will be open for business tomorrow morning. It is impossible tonight to arrive at the amount of the individual losses or the insurance, but it is believed that the insurance will not cover more than 40 per cent. of the loss. The city was almost wholly without water, the city water works being only fairly begun, leaving the firemen with only a few cisterns for a water supply. The heaviest losers take a philosophical view of the calamity and will probably all rebuild at once.

ONCE MORE A FREE WOMAN.

Mrs. Shellenberger Acquitted of the Charge of Murder.

LINCOLN, Nov. 19.—The final act in Nebraska City's celebrated murder case has ended, and Mrs. Shellenberger is a free woman. The district court room was crowded all day to witness the last hours of the trial. The defense had a large delegation of ladies from Nebraska City summoned to testify to the character of the defendant and her treatment of the murdered girl. Several of the state's witnesses, who had been subpoenaed to appear yesterday, were not on hand and last evening the judge issued attachments for them, the officers returning from Nebraska City this morning with the delinquents. Mrs. Thomas Wyman, Mrs. Ollie Bruebraker and Miss Edna Gilson were ladies among the number brought on attachments. In the giving of this testimony a noticeable fact was that numbers of the witnesses evidently desired to make the testimony as light as possible against Mrs. Shellenberger.
The last evidence was given early in the afternoon and the arguments continued the time until 4 o'clock. Judge Chapman charged the jury at 5 o'clock and the twelve men retired. After being out three hours they returned a verdict of not guilty.
The crime for which Mrs. Shellenberger was on trial was the murder of her little daughter. Her husband, who had already been convicted of the same offense, it will be remembered, was lynched at Nebraska City last spring by a mob of neighbors.
Women Burglars.
FREMONT, Neb., Nov. 21.—The constable of Dodge, a small town in this county, brought three prisoners to Fremont Saturday and confined them in the county jail. Their names are Kela Beharandt, Wilhelmina Smebel, and Fred Beharandt. One of the women has with her a young child. They had a preliminary hearing before Justice Hasson for burglarizing Jas. Glenn's store at Dodge and held in \$500 bail in default of which they are confined in jail.
Leavitt on the Stand.
STOUT CITY, Ia., Nov. 19.—Leavitt has been on the stand in the Arendorf trial all day, but here was nothing of importance developed not previously known. The day as a whole, was unfruitful of incidents. The facts brought out by the defense in cross-examination are the same as those of the direct testimony but the defense laid a foundation for the impeachment which they have said they would make later.

BARNUM'S SHOW BURNED UP.

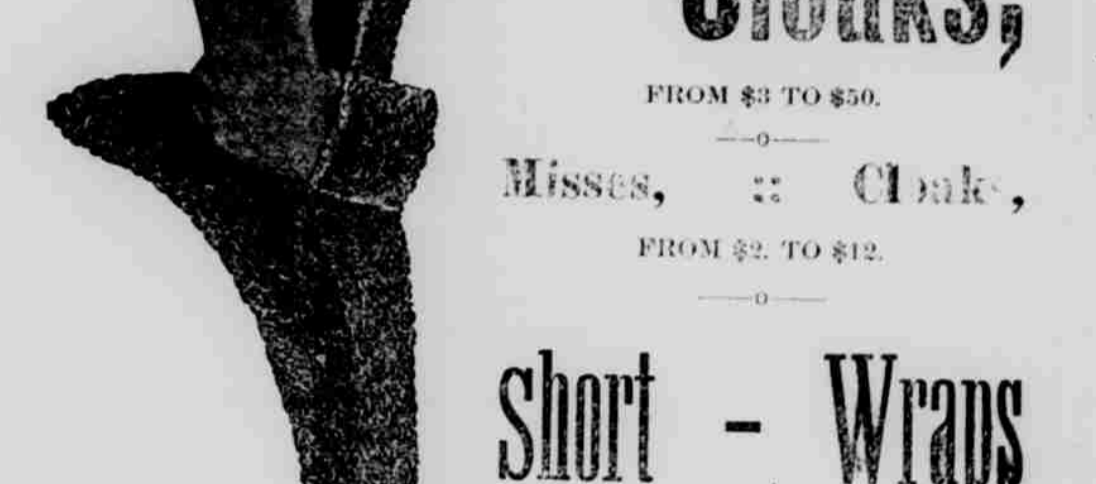
The Greatest Aggregation on Earth Devoured by Flames.

Hundreds of Animals Killed.

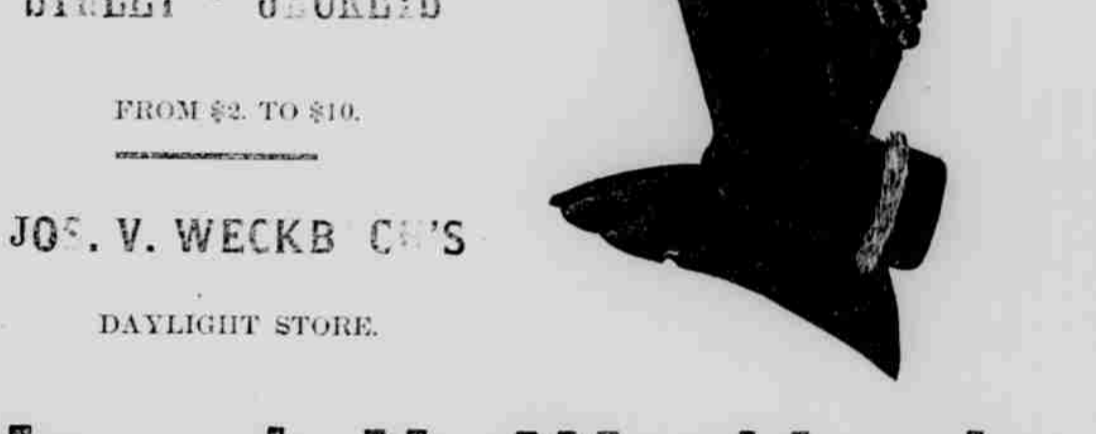
BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Nov. 20.—The main building of Barnum & Bailey's "greatest show on earth" was destroyed by fire this morning about 10:20. The alarm was sounded and in less than thirty minutes the building, which was 600 by 200 feet and two stories high, was entirely consumed. The fire originated from the explosion of a lantern carried by a watchman in the horse building, setting fire to the hay and straw. Before the first alarm ceased sounding the whole building was enveloped in flames and no one dared approach it, being fearful of the crazed animals. Three elephants were burned up and thirty-six broke from their fastenings and dashed through the sides of the burning structure. Six elephants and a large African hippopotamus rushed about the streets presenting a sickening appearance. Their sides were burned and great pieces of flesh a foot square fell off. Thirty elephants and a large lion have started across the country toward Fairfield and Easton. Great excitement has seized many residents and they have barred the windows and doors of their houses. In the horse room were all the ring animals, trained stallions, ponies etc., and all were burned. In the cat room were birds, monkeys, rhinoceroses, hyenas, tigers, lions and all the menagerie, which also fell prey to the flames. A great deal of valuable tent and other property was burned. The total loss is estimated at \$700,500, with but \$130,000 insurance.
LATER.—It is now learned that the watchman discovered the fire while making his rounds, and started to give the alarm, when some unknown person hit him on the head with some blunt instrument, felling him to the ground. One of the elephants burned was the "Sacred White Elephant." The lion which escaped from the place at the time the fire broke out was later found in a barn, where he had killed and was devouring a cow. He was shot.

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