

THE DEPOT SCORCHED.

But the Building Still Stands as of Yore.

RECORDS WERE SAVED.

The Firemen Did Good Work at the Fire Last Night—The North End Entirely Destroyed—Other News of the City.

It Still Stands. From Tuesday's Daily. The B. & M. depot had a narrow escape from destruction by fire last night. At 5:30 last night the fire alarm was sounded and the fire department quickly responded to the call. The cause of the alarm was the B. & M. passenger depot which was on fire.

The fire caught in the flue near Agent Latham's office and although the firemen battled bravely it was over an hour before the fire was put out.

The fire burned very slow, but at the same time was making good headway.

All records belonging to the office were taken out and saved and the only damage done was to the building. The baggage room and Agent Latham's room are completely destroyed and if the company does not decide to build a new depot, they will at least have to rebuild the north end which is so near destroyed that it cannot be repaired.

Last night only one wire was in working order at the telegraph office. This morning men were at work putting the instruments back in place.

The ticket office is not damaged any and Mr. Foster was selling tickets this morning as if nothing had happened.

The company should now at the earliest opportunity build a new depot on this side of the track and one that would be a credit to the city.

A Bad Fall. Mayor C. M. Butler failed to report for duty Tuesday to the clerk of district court. A messenger was sent down and informed Clerk Deering that Mr. Butler had fallen on a sidewalk and sprained his ankle so bad that he was unable to bear any weight upon it. The mayor will be laid up for some time.

American Young People. And now the young men and women of America are to have a magazine of their own, early in January, from the office of the magazine in Chicago, will be issued in the first number of the American Young People. To quote from the preliminary announcement, the new venture is designed to meet the widespread and urgent demand for a periodical, which shall have for its prime object the education of the youth of this country in the principles of patriotism and true citizenship.

While American Young People will be educational in purpose and effect, it will aim to furnish the most entertaining and interesting literature pertaining to the history, government and institutions of America. This will consist of choice original articles on the most important incidents in the history of this country, instructive talks on the various branches of the government, and on the privileges and duties of citizens.

After January 1 the M. P. will sell limited tickets for continuous passages. Tickets will be redeemed at the office here during the month. After that they will only be redeemed at headquarters.

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PEOPLE AND AFFAIRS.

WRECK ON THE B. & M. An extra freight train on the Hastings and Aurora branch of the B. & M. about three miles from Hastings yesterday morning when the engine run out of water. The cars were uncoupled, and the engine went to Hastings to fill the tanks. When the engine returned to bring in the train. For some reason or other, it backed with considerable violence into the cars smashing up the ends of a half dozen.

The twenty-fourth annual meeting of the Nebraska State Horticultural society will hold a three-day session in Lincoln beginning January, 10. An elaborate programme will be executed.

A dispatch dated at Ashland, Neb., says: "Arrangements are being made to form an Eastern Nebraska high school foot ball association. Delegates will meet here December 30. Representatives will be present from Omaha, Lincoln, Beatrice, Nebraska City, Wahoo, Crete, Plattsmouth and Fremont.

A young married woman residing at Union is violently insane. She will be before the insanity board tomorrow.

Sheriff Tighe went to Auburn Sunday to bring back the man and woman who left Landlord Woodson in the lurch for their board bill.

Judge Ramsey Saturday night united in marriage Lepold Hudlicka and Miss Mary Pouchucar.

The thermometer last night registered twelve degrees below zero.

HIS PRIVATE SECRETARY.

Governor-elect Crouse has tendered the position of private secretary to Professor W. E. Andrews of Hastings, and the same has accepted. Professor Andrews is the young brilliant republican who made such a gallant fight against McKeighan in the Fifth district. His appointment will be specially pleasing to his friends in Adams county and central Nebraska.

SHOT HIM IN THE ARM.

Wily Willoughby of Omaha accused her lover, William Dixon, of infidelity. To prove his faithfulness he tried to cut her throat, and she shot him in the arm. Both are in jail. They have been living as man and wife in a respectable neighborhood.

PAUL SCHMINKE DEAD.

Hon. Paul Schminke, mayor of Nebraska City, died Monday night. Death was apparently painless. He has been sick since early in the fall his malady being Bright's disease of the kidneys, complicated with other troubles. He was one of the most prominent men of the city, an old resident and known all over the state. He had served as postmaster of that place, represented Otoe county in the legislature and held many other positions of trust and honor.

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THE CRAWLED UNDER THE TABLE. Nebraska City News. A drunken man with a loaded revolver went into the Auburn depot and made the passengers go out and stand in the cold last night. The telegraph operator crawled under the table and while there told a brother operator at Weeping Water

of his predicament. The advice sent back was as follows: "If you have a gun get out and take a shot at him, but if you have no gun stay under the table." The answer was: "I have no gun and am still under the table, where I will remain until this wild man leaves."

Chief of Police Grace yesterday arrested George Little of Harrison county, Iowa, in this city on the charge of shooting with intent to kill. He notified the sheriff of Harrison county, who wired back to hold him and he would come after him.

The case in Judge Archer's court wherein Mrs. Cal Walton appeared against the spotted woman. The defendant was discharged for lack of prosecution.

Judge Ramsey issued today the following marriage licenses: Iloff Wemple and Miss Alice Hathaway, of Union and Earl M. Baldwin and Miss Josephine W. Stone both of Greenwood.

John L. Fight of Eight Mile Grove died yesterday morning at his home of typhoid fever. The deceased was twenty-three years old and a son of John Fight, and also a son-in-law of D. L. Draper. The funeral occurs Wednesday at 2 o'clock and the remains will be interred in the Eight Mile Grove cemetery.

Bud of Promise lodge, Daughters of Rebekah will give a "surprise social" at their hall in the Fitzgerald block. The proceeds to be donated to the poor of this city. Supper will be served to all who wish. There will be games, plays, a fish-pond, grab-bag, etc. A good time is anticipated. Come one and all—Thursday evening, December 29.

ROCK CREEK SCHOOL.

Average daily attendance, 29. Names of pupils not tardy or absent: Inez Hesser, Jessie Tigner and Claud Tigner. Names of pupils not absent: Albert Young, Bert Young, Charley Tigner, Edith Nix and Marcus Furlong. Names of pupils not tardy: Frank Oliver, Alice Oliver, Willie Oliver, Susie Young, Arthur Young, Roy Young, Viola Young, Rex Young and Maud McCullough, Harry Tigner, Tommy Nix and Myrtle Wiles. Teacher, Joanna Graham.

FATAL BURLINGTON WRECK.

Engineer Cummins and Fireman Baxter Goodman in charge of a locomotive attached to a gravel train, were killed Tuesday afternoon six miles west of McCook. The engine was derailed by running over a number of horses. The families of the victims reside at Red Cloud, from whence they recently came. The track was cleared by midnight and traffic continued.

Mrs. Anna Chilcott of Union was taken before the insanity board this morning and adjudged insane. Deputy Sheriff John Tighe started for Lincoln with her today.

A Great Combination of Writers.

One of the unique organizations in the country is what is known as "The Sociological Group," a company of men distinguished as college presidents, professors, students, literary men and statesmen. It meets three or four times a year and listens to papers by different members. The papers are discussed by the group with the utmost frankness and many of them never see the light, but when a paper after thorough discussion by all these gentlemen is accepted by the whole group as worthy of publication it is published.

The members of this distinguished group are Rev. Charles W. Shields, Bishop Henry C. Potter, Rev. Theodore T. Manger, Rev. William Chasney Langdon, Rev. Samuel W. Dike, President Seth Low, of Columbia college; Professor Richard T. Ely, Bishop Hugh Miller Thompson, Professor Charles A. Briggs, Dr. Washington Gladden, Professor Francis G. Peabody, William F. Slocum, Jr., Hon. Edward J. Phelps, Professor William M. Sloan and Charles Dudley Warner.—Forum.

The Inventors of Clepsydras.

The Chinese were the first to invent the form of clepsydra to which the term "water-clock" can alone be properly applied—that is, an apparatus which rendered watching unnecessary by striking the hours. Up to the beginning of the Eighteenth century persons had been employed to watch the clepsydras in palaces and public places in China, their duty being to strike bells or drums at every "k'ih" or 10th part of a day.

But at this period a device was constructed of four vessels, with machinery which caused a drum to be struck by day and a bell by night to indicate the hours. No description of the works of this interesting invention can be found. Mr. Romyn Hitchcock suggests that the Saracens may possibly have anticipated the Chinese in the invention of these true water clocks.—Boston Globe.

A Mistake Made by Presiding Officers.

I think the great mistake made by presiding officers of both sexes is forgetfulness of the fact that they are not called upon to rule the opinions of the meeting. I have noticed that men as much as women are apt to endeavor to control the action of the meeting over which they have been called upon to preside, and that is something which I consider always objectionable. It is so very clear a matter that the chairman is merely the pivot upon which the whole matter turns and not the controlling genius of the sentiments of the meeting, that I am sometimes surprised to see people arrogate to themselves powers which they do not possess, and which were never intended to be conferred upon them.—M. Louise Thomas in Ladies' Home Journal.

JOE THE POPULAR ONE-PRICE CLOTHIER HAS RECEIVED A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF HOLIDAY GOODS

Among which are some of the Prettiest and Most Unique Things for Presents. THE IMPORTED DOMESTIC GUFF BOX BEAT ANYTHING IN THE CITY OF THE KIND.

JOE HAS SPECIAL BARGAIN... THIS WEEK...

Go Everywhere else, says Joe, and then come to me and if you not satisfied that I Beat them all, I will not ask you to buy.

JOE, THE ONE-PRICE CLOTHIER, STADELMANN'S BLOCK. PLATTSMOUTH, N

WE PRESUME YOU CROCHET. Two Thousand Dollars Gold Coin Premium for best work made from the GLASGOW TWILLED LACE THREAD to be exhibited by them at the World's Fair. Every penny of it will be promptly paid to those who work the Commission of Experts most deems most worthy of the awards.

THE MEXICAN BANDITS. The formal complaint of the Mexican government with regard to the crossing of bandits into that country from the United States deserves prompt and careful attention. It is a notorious fact that the neutrality laws have been repeatedly violated by such persons, and severe sentences have been inflicted upon some of them by our courts, says the Globe-Democrat. The difficulty of preventing offenses of that sort where the conditions are so favorable to the evasion of capture and punishment is manifest; but it is none the less incumbent on our government to do all it can in that direction. It is impossible to patrol the whole border effectively, but it is not impossible to keep small detachments of soldiers at important points and within co-operating distances. The secretary of war has lately ordered more troops to the Rio Grande for that purpose, by the way, and it is to be hoped that they will be so located as to provide reasonable protection against the illegal operations of the raiders. At the same time, however, this service should be judiciously performed. It is no part of the proper business of our army to do police work for a neighboring nation and help it to settle its domestic troubles. The neutrality laws do not require us to arrest men who are merely suspected of using our territory as a place for the hatching of conspiracy and the organization of revolution. Action should be taken only where the evidence of guilt is positive and the identity of the accused parties is well established.

WANTED—Agents to sell our choice and hardy Nursery Stock. We have many new special varieties, both in fruits and ornamentals to offer, which are controlled only by us. We pay commission or salary. Write us at once for terms, and secure choice of territory. MAY BROTHER, Nurserymen, Rochester, N. Y.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria. When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria. When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

thoroughly in sympathy with ideas of progress, and will disport toward those of our people doing business in Mexico. He do not ask or expect more from us course, than is consistent with ordinary obligations of international justice and property. can not undertake, for obvious reasons, to decide between him and his political enemies. That matter with which we have no to do, and in which we could interfere without incurring serious blame. But we can and should employ all available means to keep the resolutionists on their own side of the line and to maintain the policy of neutrality in government. It is not likely that the administration at Washington any inclination to act otherwise and certainly our people would quick to condemn anything tending toward the appearance of an attempt to provoke Mexican ill-will. resources of diplomacy are amply for the adjustment of all such relations in a spirit of mutual respect and kindness. Mexico has claims upon us which we can honorably or decently disregard, and it is not to be doubted that she is willing on her part to recognize and make due allowance for peculiar circumstances which are obliged to contend with the enforcement of the laws against peripatetic and irresponsible gang of bandits.

Not a word of George Walradt, deceased, was given that in pursuance of an order of S. N. Chapman, judge of the district of Cass county, made on the 28th day of December, 1892, for the sale of the estate herein after described, here was sold at the front door of the Court house in Plattsmouth, Cass county, Nebraska, the 21st day of January, 1893, at 10 o'clock, a. m., of said day, at public vendue the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate, to-wit: A north quarter (1/4) of the northeast quarter of section seventeen (17) of township two (2) range twelve (12) of Cass county, Nebraska.

Said sale was remanded one hour to Henry Ahl and Albert Walradt, executors of the last will and testament of George Walradt, deceased, to take effect Dated December 28, 1892.