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THE JOURNAL.

Bishop Bonacum Arrested.

The long draw out and bitter dissensions in the Catholic church in this diocese culminated Saturday evening at Lincoln in the arrest of Bishop Bonacum for criminal libel upon a complaint filed by Father Corbett of Palmyra. The proceedings were conducted so quietly that but few people of the city knew of the interesting developments. The bishop was taken before Justice Spencer, where he entered his personal recognizance in the sum of \$500 to appear for trial on Feb. 6.

There has been trouble between Bishop Bonacum and several priests of his diocese for many months. The bishop's displeasure seems to have been especially directed toward Father Corbett, and the attempt to remove him from the church at Palmyra last week was duly chronicled in the papers at the time. It was upon the letter in which the bishop removed Father Corbett that the action for criminal libel is based. It is as follows:

BISHOP'S HOUSE, LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 17, 1894.—To the Members of the Catholic Congregation worshipping at Palmyra, Otoe county, Neb.: It is my painful duty to inform you that I have suspended the Rev. M. J. Corbett from the exercise of the sacred ministry. And I warn all good Catholics not to hold any communion in things spiritual with the said Corbett nor to assist in any religious service or ceremony which he may rashly perform or attempt to perform during the time of his suspension.

THOMAS BONACUM, Bishop of Lincoln Diocese.

Father Corbett was absent from Palmyra when the above letter was written and was deeply chagrined upon his return to find that he had been suspended in so summary a manner. He came to Lincoln and after a consultation with friends, employed Attorney R. D. Stearns and commenced the action for libel. The case has been set for trial on February 6, at which time it is believed that many facts in connection with the internal troubles of the diocese will be brought to light.

CLOSE TO THE GOAL!

Plattsmouth's New Quarter-Million Industry Almost Assured.

BERT PARKER IS LIBERATED.

Complainants Depart and His Case Is Dismissed—The Weekly Herald Office Is Visited By a Serious Fire—Other Gatherings.

The mass meeting of Friday night has seemingly worked no end of good toward the raising of the necessary bonus for the quarter-million industry. The several members of the executive committee were faithfully at work on Saturday, and as a result of their labors it is now stated that there only remains about \$10,000 to raise to complete the required bonus. This sum the committee feel certain will be subscribed before the end of the week.

The generous subscription of the Doves on Saturday, who subscribed themselves for a large amount, set the ball rolling in good style, and the committee met with such good fortune all along the line that they now feel truly enthusiastic.

The completion of the bonus, and that it will be completed seems positive, means the commencement of truly prosperous times for Plattsmouth.

The Nebraska town which is first to recover from the late financial crisis will be certain to remain at the front if the proper effort is made by her citizens to further the advancement already made.

A strong and steady pull will complete the bonus. Let no effort be spared to reach that end.

Bert Parker Goes Free.

Bert Parker, who was brought down from Fremont last week and lodged in the county jail to await a preliminary examination on the charge of attempting a criminal assault on a little girl some eighteen months ago out near Manly, has been freed. The knowledge came to the sheriff on Monday that the parents of the little girl or whom Parker attempted the assault have been absent from the county for some time and their whereabouts is unknown. The sheriff communicated the facts to County Attorney Travis and the latter, seeing that to proceed with the case meant simply to pile up useless costs on the county, at once decided to enter a nolle, and cause Parker's dismissal. With this end in view Parker was brought over from jail and after being taken before County Judge Ramsey was formally discharged.

Young Parker, who appears to be a pretty much all-round tough, has been engaged in a similar escapade once before. Several years ago he was arrested and tried on a similar charge brought by a man named Jones, who alleged that Parker had been intimate with his daughter. In this case Parker escaped punishment on account of his parents swearing that he was under eighteen years of age, and as the girl was also under the age of consent, the charge of rape would not be applicable.

Serious Blaze At the Herald Office.

The Plattsmouth Weekly Herald office on Vine street was the scene of a fire early Sunday morning and as a result is almost a total loss. The fire alarm was sounded by Nightwatch Woodson and the White hose company turned out in short order, but the fire, having commenced within the building, had already created such havoc that the turning on of water was of little avail. Blanchard & Potter, the publishers, main aim that the blaze was the work of an incendiary. The loss will reach almost \$5,000, which amount was covered by \$2,600 in insurance, \$600 being on the building and \$2,000 on the stock. The "Phoenix" of Hartford and the "Hartford" of Hartford carried the insurance through Sam Patterson's agency.

The Herald was established in 1857 and was one of the oldest publications in Nebraska. It was the Herald which contained a call for volunteers which resulted in the organization of the first Nebraska company to participate in the civil rebellion.

Messrs. Blanchard & Potter have been in the city less than a year, and as the paper has not been conducted

in an offensive manner, they cannot conceive who would seek to burn them out. They have avowed their intentions, however, of securing a new outfit and resuming the publication of the paper.

Bert Parker Not Guilty.

Attorney Matthew Gering received a telegram from Fremont on Thursday stating that the jury in the case of the state vs. Bert Parker had returned a verdict of not guilty. This is quite a victory for Matt, for the reason that the evidence was nearly positive against Parker, but the circumstance of the railroad detective being implicated with him gave the case the appearance of a put up job.

A dispatch from Fremont on Thursday's World-Herald says: "Judge M. Archer, A. Clark, John Tighe, Wm. Brantner, Chas. Martin, John and Charles Rutherford and Mrs. Jane Batchelor, mother of Bert Parker, of Plattsmouth, were in the city as witnesses in the case of the state against Parker, charged with breaking into a freight car of the Elkhorn. The first witness examined was Hans, who testified to being employed by the Elkhorn railway as a special detective. He declared he saw Parker break the seals of three freight cars and from the last take a bucket of tobacco; that he presented his revolver and compelled Parker to return the bucket to the car and then took him to the police station."

Parker testified that he had just come from Council Bluffs in an empty freight car and was looking for an empty box car to pursue his journey to Norfolk when he met this man, who proved to be Hans, but whom he supposed to be, like himself, looking for a chance to secure a free ride. Hans, he said, asked him where he was going, and, upon being informed, said he was going there, too. They went along the track, hunting for an empty box car; at length Hans told him he thought a certain car was empty; he got up between the cars and found the seal broken, so he removed it and opened the end door, but found the car loaded with merchandise and informed Hans that he would not ride in a car that was loaded. The train soon pulled out and they walked down the track toward the city and when near an electric light Hans pulled his gun and arrested him and took him to the police station. The jury, late Wednesday evening, brought in a verdict of not guilty.

State's Attorney Hollenbeck, assisted by J. E. Frick, prosecuted, and Hon. Matthew Gering, assisted by Robert Stinson, very ably defended Parker.

Demise of Nels C. Aagard.

Nels C. Aagard, proprietor for two years past of the Sixth street blacksmith shop, departed from this life Sunday morning at about eleven o'clock at his home on South Tenth street. His illness was inflammation of the bowels, from which he had suffered for only a few days. Mr. Aagard was of Danish descent and was an industrious and honest citizen. He is survived by a wife and one child, to whom is extended the sympathy of many friends in their sad loss. The deceased was a member of lodge No. 8, A. O. U. W.; Cass Camp, No. 332, Modern Woodmen, and lodge No. 146, I. O. O. F. His widow and child will receive insurance to the amount of \$5,000 from the A. O. U. W. and the Modern Woodmen.

Awaiting the Assayer's Report.

The article which appeared in these columns last week regarding the gold find has created a great deal of comment from our many exchanges, the majority of them classing it as a newspaper fake and nothing more. Once more we desire to inform the public and brethren of the press generally that the Courier-Journal never exaggerates; neither does it wilfully lie. Recent developments more than substantiate all that we claimed last week. The gold has been found, just as was anticipated, and has been sent to Colorado to the assay office to determine just what it will pan out per ton, and until returns are received work has been abandoned in the mine. All eyes are turned toward Louisville, the coming town of Nebraska.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Frank C. Burlingame, a brakeman employed by the Burlington, lost his left leg at Lincoln Tuesday afternoon. He was standing on the end of a train of cars that was being shifted in the yards, when he lost his balance and fell to the tracks. The cars passed over the lower portion of the left leg, necessitating amputation between the ankle and knee. Burlingame is a single young man. He was removed to the hospital, and will recover.

THREE CAR ROBBERS

Arrested and Bound Over to the District Court.

A. B. SMITH TURNS UP ALL O. K.

He Had Been at Haigler, Neb., Attending to Business Matters and is Now at Home—An Elmwood Wife-Beater.

They Have Been Bound Over.

The police and B. & M. detectives have at last unravelled the mystery surrounding the burglary of a freight car in the yards here last Saturday night, and have arrested the guilty parties beyond a doubt. Several days ago, while John Claus was hunting in the hills south of town, he discovered a keg of liquor hidden away, and reported his find to the police. On the same day the police found several men under the influence of liquor taken from the keg, and several arrests followed. The men were put through a process commonly called "sweating," which resulted in three of them being cleared of a charge of stealing the liquor. One of them, Oswald Shubert, however, was held. Last evening Marshal Grace arrived with Ed Robinson, who was arrested in the vicinity of Bartlett, Iowa, after a chase of several miles through the woods. The third member of the gang was arrested at Lincoln by a B. & M. man, and brought back yesterday morning by Marshal Grace. He is a well-known young man living with his parents in this city, and has heretofore borne a very unsavory reputation, having served a term in the reform school at Kearney. Upon being placed in the "sweat-box" this young man turned state's evidence on his companions and told all the particulars of the affair.

The other two boys also made confessions, shifting the crime off themselves and on their companions, so that the prospects of all spending a term at Lincoln is decidedly good. Some inducement in the way of clemency was evidently held out to the young man arrested at Lincoln in order to obtain his confession, but it is hardly probable that the persons who offered him clemency in exchange for his confession will be able to deliver the goods. The trio were taken before Judge Archer this morning for a preliminary hearing, and were all bound over to the district court under bonds of \$200. Robinson and Shubert were committed to jail in default of bond, while the nameless young man was released on his own recognizance.

In addition to the keg of liquor called "kimmel," the boys took a case of bottled whisky of the "Jackson Club" brand. The case contained forty-four bottles, which the trio divided among themselves and then smashed and burned the case.

A. B. Smith Turns Up All O. K.

A dispatch from Denver in Wednesday's Bee brings the information that A. B. Smith had disappeared from his home in that city on Sunday. The dispatch is as follows:

DENVER, Jan. 30.—Soon after six o'clock Sunday evening A. B. Smith, civil engineer for the Lincoln Land company left his house and nothing has been heard or seen of him since. He left the house without money or overcoat, and his wife thought he had simply gone for a walk. Foul play is feared. The police are at work on the case.

Baxter Smith, a nephew of Anselmo B. Smith, received a telegram from Denver last evening stating that A. B. had been heard from and was all right. When Mr. Smith left his Denver home on Sunday evening he went to Haigler, Neb., where J. R. Porter lives. Porter and Smith are interested in several land deals and are mixed up in litigation with other parties, and it was this business that induced Smith to visit Haigler.

An Elmwood Wife-Beater.

Thomas Glennon of Elmwood was arrested and brought before Justice Beardsley yesterday afternoon on the charge of pounding and beating his wife, who is a cripple, and her son, Emory Brant. His bond was fixed at \$350 to appear for trial, but he was unable to raise the amount and was sent to jail to await the coming of County Attorney Travis, who journeyed thither from this city today, when the trial will be held. Public sympathy seems to be with the woman and her son. The quarrel arose over some horses that were in the barn.

The Filbert Habeas Corpus Matter.

Jas. B. Filbert, the relator in the somewhat famous Filbert habeas corpus matter, is again in the city. Mr. Filbert arrived from his home at Bloomington, Ind., last Friday, and his mission here is to make another endeavor to secure possession of his two children, over whom has already been had a lively legal tussle. According to Judge Chapman's decision in the matter, Filbert was required to show that he was the possessor of a home where he could take the children. Filbert now alleges that he has the required "home" and also the means with which to educate and support the children, and he is now on hand to make another demand for them. It is understood that Judge Chapman will entertain the application on Feb. 5. The two children are still in the custody of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schroeder at Cedar Creek and have a comfortable home, indeed. The latter intend contesting Filbert's claim to their utmost.

Mrs. Elisha O'Neill, who left this city some three months ago for Orange, California, in an effort to regain her health, writes to THE JOURNAL that she is greatly improved and feels confident that on her return in the spring she will have entirely recovered.

A FRIGHTFUL DEATH.

A Seven-Year-Old School Girl Is Killed by the Cars.

HAS ABANDONED THE SUIT.

Dr. Powell Practically Admits That His Tale of Being Robbed at the Goos Hotel Was a Fake, Pure and Simple—Local Affairs.

The news of a frightful accident at Glenwood, Iowa, nine miles east of this city, was brought to town last Friday by passengers on the Burlington's west-bound passenger train, No. 5. While the train in question was dropping down the heavy grade into the station, a little seven-year-old girl, while on her way to school, stepped on the track directly in front of the fast-moving train. Engineer Sigourney was handling the throttle, but he was powerless to even slacken the speed of his engine, and in a few brief seconds the engine pilot struck the little unfortunate and hurled her high into the air. She fell onto the adjoining track with her head on one of the heavy steel rails. The little girl was hurriedly picked up, but her skull was found to be badly fractured and the life spark had apparently departed instantaneously. None of the passengers or attaches of the train were able to inform THE JOURNAL representative as to the name of the unfortunate child.

LATER—People from Pacific Junction, just across the river, who were in the city Friday afternoon, state that the name of the little girl was McBride. Her mother was a widow.

Dropped the Suit.

Dr. Powell, the strange young physician who laid claim last week to having been robbed of \$35 and a gold watch while a guest at the Goos hotel and who afterwards commenced suit before Justice Archer against the hotel proprietor for the amount of the missing watch and money, has left the city. His departure occurred several days ago and before going he gave notice that he had abandoned the suit. At the time of the supposed theft the police were not slow to brand the doctor's story as a rank fake, and his subsequent actions go to show that they did not prophesy amiss. Before leaving the doctor forgot to leave the amount of his week's board bill, but the hotel people protected themselves by seizing a case of medicine and surgical instruments which they will keep until the young disciple of Hippocrates remits the bill.

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