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COUNCIL BLUFFS.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

AT ATLANTIC.

The Observations of "The Bee" in that Lively City.

Correspondence of THE BEE.

ATLANTIC, Iowa, December 19.—This is a thriving city of the second class, containing about 5,000 inhabitants, and situated in the northwest corner of Cass county, of which it is the seat of government.

Being situated on the main line of the "Great Rock Island Route," the shipping facilities are excellent. It is distant nearly 75 miles directly east of Council Bluffs, and hence is a little west of the "divide." From this point a branch of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific road runs north to Audubon, 25 miles distant, and one south to Griswold, 16 miles distant.

The city dates its existence from the advent of the railroad, being first laid out in 1868. The city is growing rapidly in population and wealth. The public enterprises are of the most substantial, most tasty, and meritorious kind. Prominent among them is the new Cass county court house has just been completed at a cost of nearly $100,000, and is a model of beauty in structure and architecture, equalled by only a few of the Hawkeye county buildings. The opera house is also a model one in its whole interior arrangement. The city has, at present, a home troupe, which plays twice each week, and is liberally supported. The public schools of Atlantic are fully abreast with the times, and amply provided for. Eight teachers are employed, who are doing a good work in the education of the young. Besides the public school system, the educational interests are further looked after by a fine business college, in which numbers of the young men and women of this locality receive the business touches of their education. The church people are represented by a number of the different organizations, each, I believe, having a liberal following. The fraternal organizations have strong memberships in a varied number of different societies. The city is lighted by gas, and supplied with excellent and abundant water of the purest kind. The city is included in the Iowa Telephone company's list, which gives it a large connection with other places in this part of the state. The fire company is composed of a large membership, and is one of the swiftest in the state. It has at different tournaments carried away the belt of championship.

The private interests are various, prominent among which I mention a large packing establishment, brewery, foundry, distillery, flour mills, soap factory, three banks, several hotels and boarding houses, five newspapers—four weekly and one daily and weekly—and a large number of mercantile establishments, some of which are metropolitan in the amount of stock carried.

FRED.

Mrs. Langtry,

And other famous women have won a reputation for facial beauty. A fine complexion makes one handsome, even though the face is not of perfect mould. *Burdock Blood Bitters* act directly upon the circulation, and so give the skin a clearness and smoothness otherwise unattainable.

A SMALL BLAZE.

It Serves to Show the Nonsense of Depending on the Present Fire Alarm.

THE BEE has time and again called attention to the fact that the present fire alarm is worse than none, and that while waiting for a better one, the city had better do away altogether with this one and go back to the old way of depending on the yells on the street for the guidance of the department. Yesterday morning the so-called alarm sounded, at one house giving box 13, at the other 28 and again No. 6, and in response one steamer went flying in one direction, the other in an opposite direction, and the hook and ladder truck off on a tangen. After flying about for a whileit was learned that the fire was in a little shanty west of the Milwaukee & St. Paul freight house, and it was of course burned down before the department could find out even where fire was. The loss was not great and perhaps could not have been averted anyway, but the same trouble is liable to occur and mislead the department, while the fire is getting a strong hold on more valuable property.

Satisfactory Evidence.

J. W. Graham, Wholesale Druggist, of Austin, Texas, writes: I have been handling DR. WM. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS for the past year, and have found it one of the most salable medicines I have ever had in my house for Coughs, Colds and even Consumption, always giving entire satisfaction. Please send me one gross by Saturday's steamer.

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Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record in the recorder's office, December 19, reported for the BEE by P. J. McMahon, real estate agent:

William H. Negley to J. F. Spangler & Co., part lot 1, block 23, Neola, $500.

James Callanan to John Jayne, se¼, se¼, 12, 76, 43, $400.

Paul Ackels to Augusta Ackels, part of block 40, Allen & Cook's addition to Avoca, $250.

Wm. F. Lyon to Joseph Powelski, et al., part of 23, 75, 41, $4,444.

J. W. Davis et al. to H. E. Leach, part 9, 79, 39, $165.

Total sales, $5,759.

The District Court.

Yesterday afternoon the long-drawn-out case of Barton vs. Lackey came to a close. In this case the plaintiff sought damages for water drained onto his land by the opening up of a ditch by the defendant. The jury found for the defendant.

The trial of Loring for stealing clothes belonging to some other tailors, who were boarding at the same place, took place yesterday afternoon. A strong attempt was made on the part of the defense to get the value of the goods taken set so low as to make the offense petit larceny, but the jury not only found him guilty, but found the value of the clothes stolen to be $19.

A bad taste in the mouth means a bilious attack. *Samaritan Nervine* is the cure.

"For 13 years I had Dyspepsia," wrote John Albright, of Columbus, O. "*Samaritan Nervine* cured me." Druggists all keep it, $1.50.

COMMERCIAL.

COUNCIL BLUFFS MARKET.

Wheat—No. 2 spring, 70c; No. 3, 60c; rejected, 50c; good demand.

Corn—Dealers are paying 36c for old corn and 25c for new.

Oats—In good demand at 20c.

Hay—4 00@6 00 per ton; 50c per bale.

Rye—40c; light supply.

Corn Meal—1 25 per 100 pounds.

Wood—Good supply; prices at yards, 5 00@6 00.

Coal—Delivered, hard, 11 50 per ton; soft, 6 00 per ton.

Butter—Plenty and in fair demand at 20c; creamery, 35c.

Eggs—Ready sale at 25c per dozen.

Lard—Fairbank's, wholesaling at 11c.

Poultry—Firm; dealers are paying for chickens 16c; live, 2 50 per dozen.

Vegetables—Potatoes, 50c; onions, 40c; cabbages, 30@40c per dozen; apples, ready sale at 2 50@3 50 for prime stock.

Flour—City flour, 1 60@3 40.

Brooms—2 00@3 00 per doz.

LIVE STOCK.

Cattle—3 00@3 50; calves, 5 00@7 50.

Hogs—Local packers are buying now and there is a good demand for all grades in carload lots at 4 60@4 95.

IOWA NEWS.

Carson has a new city hall.

Tabor now has telephone service.

Calliope is to have a public hall, 30 by 75 feet, one story.

The Des Moines general fund is overdrawn to the amount of $85,700.

Coal prospecting at Portsmouth is now going ahead in a business-like way.

New steam heating apparatus is being put in the Ringgold county court house.

The Hotel Webster, the new house in Muscatine, cost between $30,000 and $40,000.

The city council of Cedar Rapids refused to accept Mayor Hutchinson's resignation.

Eight hundred and seventy men and boys are employed in the lumber trade of Muscatine.

About $200 worth of jewelry was stolen from the residence of J. McDaniels, of Atlantic, last week.

A new bank to be called the Citizen's Savings bank, has been organized at Decorah with a capital of $50,000.

Cedar Rapids business men are again agitating the question of the removal of the county seat from Marion to Cedar Rapids.

Capt. Chas. Faulkner, of the Davenport night police, has been bound over in $500 on the charge of brutally beating one Pat Griffin.

A mean sneak thief entered the house of Mrs. Taylor, a washerwoman, of Atlantic, and stole $19, which she had saved from her small earnings.

The Des Moines Register says: "Real estate is not quite so high, and is going to sell a peg lower in 1884, as it may well do. It has been too high for two years."

Certain parties in Le Mars have sued out a writ of injunction to restrain the mayor and recorder from issuing further city warrants for any purpose prior to March next.

An ex-soldier of Burlington, who was wounded in the late war, and was granted a pension of $10 per month, has fully recovered from the effects of the wound, and now declines to draw the money.

Ridenhour, of The Page County Democrat, who sued the city of Clarinda for $5,500 damages on account of breaking a leg by falling on an icy pavement last winter, has been allowed $450 by the court.

John Baxter has reached a depth of 110 feet in his search for coal on his farm in Ringgold county, and has taken out some good specimens. The county has offered $1,000 to the person finding a paying vein of coal within its boundary, and Mr. Baxter feels sure of finding it.

The thieves who broke into the Tabor postoffice took $400 in money and $100 stamps. They stole a team and drove to Bartlett, where they turned the horses loose. In order to cover up their tracks more effectually, they cut the telephone wire. This prevented the officers at Glenwood from hearing of the matter at once.

Last Thursday night a prisoner at Marshalltown, named Thompson, hid himself in the jail corridor, cut his way through the roof and disappeared. The next day three more escaped. Their names are McCormick, Tom Winwood, alias Carroll, and William Mooney—all awaiting trial for burglary. The escape of the first man was not discovered until twenty-four hours after he had left. Winwood is the man who claimed to know who killed Zora Burns.

Brown's Bronchial Troches for Coughs and Colds: "I do not see how it is possible for a public man to be himself in winter without this admirable aid."—*Rev. R. M. Devens, Pocasset, Mass.*

GENERAL LONGSTREET.

No Republican Party in Georgia or the South Unless in Virginia—An Incident in His Speech-Making Career.

Courier-Journal Washington Letter.

General Longstreet, United States marshal at Atlanta, who has been here for several days, will leave to-night for New York. He was asked to-day by your correspondent what he thought of the prospects and condition of the republican party in Georgia. He replied:

"The republican party in Georgia? Well, as far as I am able to ascertain, there is no republican party in Georgia. It is a shadow name without substance behind it. The vote of the republicans in the state is not large enough for them as a body to be called a party. The only time there is any evidence of the existence of a republican party in Georgia is when there are offices to give out. Then you hear something about it."

"How about the republican party in the south generally?" was asked

"Looking over the entire field," replied Gen. Longstreet musingly, "I am constrained to say that in the other southern states the republican party is even worse off than it is in Georgia. The only chance of there ever being such a party is to carry Virginia. Virginia was lost the last time, but there is going to be an unprecedented effort made to carry it in the next election, and if it is not carried then, the last pin upon which republican hopes in the south are founded will be knocked away."

In further conversation with General Longstreet an interesting fact was brought out. I spoke to him about the speech he made at an Illinois fair last summer. It will be remembered that one of the most accomplished of the emotion manipulators of the Chicago press wrote an account of that affair. Gen. Longstreet broke down while making an address. He had previously referred to his being but a blunt old soldier, whose life had been that of the tent rather than the parlor. The emotion-worker wrote up a most effecting account of it all. His account of how the grizzly old warrior broke down and wept, was calculated to fill the eye of the most hardened with salty moisture, and this account travelled all over the country I called Gen. Longstreet's attention to it. He laughed.

"That was," he said, "one of the funniest incidents of my whole life. You see, I was in the battle of the Wilderness. There I got a bullet right here, (placing his fingers right under his collar button.) That bullet ruined my voice. It was changed entirely when I recovered. I cannot make a speech. I break down after about three minutes, my voice failing almost entirely. That was the case out in Illinois at that ladies' fair. It was not emotion but the bullet that I got in the Wilderness. That young man who wrote me up is certainly an embryo Sir Walter Scott just entering the field of romance."

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No Wonder She Thought So.

Kentucky State Journal.

"Dost love me, Robert?"

"Dost I. Do you think I'd come here every night I can possibly get here and kiss you until my lips give out if I didn't love you?"

"Ah, but that's what a former lover once said to me, and where is he now? Married to another girl! Oh! you men are so faithless."

"No wonder you think so," said Robert, as he slowly picked up his hat and begged to be excused.

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My drug store was the first to sell Swift's Specific. It was then put up in quart bottles which sold for $5.00 each. I have seen a great many cases cured by its use, and some who had tried all sorts of treatment. In fact, I have never known it to fail when taken properly. I sell a large quantity of it, and for all diseases that are dependent on blood poison or skin humor. It cures

PIMPLES AND BLOTCHES ON THE SKIN,

and makes the complexion fair and rosy. As for blood taint, there is no such word as fail. It cures cases that have long withstood other sorts of treatment, and without any of those recurring troubles that generally follow mercurial and other so-called cures. T. L. MASSENBURG, Macon, Ga.

DRY TETTER.

For years I was afflicted with Dry Tetter of the most obstinate type, Was treated by many of the best physicians; took quantities of mercury, potash and arsenic, which, instead of curing the tetter, crippled me up with mineral poison and rheumatism. The Tetter continued to grow worse, and the itching almost made me crazy. In this condition I was induced to take Swift's Specific, and the result was as astonishing as it was gratifying. In a few months the Tetter was entirely well, the Mercurial Poisoning all out of my system and I was a well man—and due only to Swift's Specific. All like sufferers should take it. JAMES DUNNING, Louisville, Ky.

What a Physician Says.

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I have a bright little daughter who will be two years old next month. She has been troubled nearly ever since her birth with a skin disease, which I first diagnosed chicken-pox, but later found it to be some sort of eczema; at any rate it resisted very stubbornly all the different treatments. I procured one bottle of Swift's Specific and gave it to her in small doses three times a day, and in a short while had the satisfaction to see that she was entirely well. I am so well pleased with its effect on her that I shall not only use it in my practice, but I shall administer it to my other children and take it myself.

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