CURRENT NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

J. C. Yates of Curlew is in town.

Cooper, Fire Ins., 6 Pearl tel. 372.

J. W. Lippincot of Blair is in the city.

Y. S. Woods of Burlington is in the city.

D. D. Glidden came down from Glenwood yesterday.

S. H. Hess came down from Sioux City yesterday.

Justice Vien and wife are expected home this morning.

William M. Ketchem of Chicago is visiting friends in this city.

Wanted, competent girl for general housework, 320 Oakland avenue.

F. B. Downs of Des Moines was among the city's visitors yesterday.

A sale of stamped linens this week at Mrs. Bray's, No. 21 Main st.

O. E. French of Creston was visiting friends in this city yesterday.

The Council Bluffs City laundry invites patrons to call and examine their methods.

The funeral of Dan Anderson will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the African Baptist church.

The funeral of C. R. Mitchell yesterday was very largely attended. The body was interred at Walnut Hill.

The revival services at Edgewood Union church will close this evening. Dr. A. H. Carter will preach the closing sermon.

A people's party conference will be held at Farmers' hall in the county court house on Tuesday evening, February 1, at 8 o'clock.

Rev. A. M. Molesworth, formerly of this city, but now pastor of the Methodist church at Peoria, is in the city visiting his brother pastors.

We give attention to little things in laundry work. You get all that is best in fine work and good service at the Eagle laundry, 724 Bway.

The DeLong Industrial school occupied its new quarters on the third floor of the Eiseman building yesterday. The attendance was quite large.

Mrs. Gunn, the Denver mother who asked the police to arrest her runaway boy, who was staying with his uncle in this city, came after the young man yesterday.

A son of Henry Voigt suffered a fracture of an arm and John Lutz, son of J. J. Lutz, sustained a severly sprained arm in a coasting accident on Frank street Friday night.

Sheriff Rose of Montgomery county came over from Omaha last night, having in custody C. S. Larson, arrested on a charge of seduction. Larson was confined in the city jail during the night.

Dan Anderson, the colored cook at the Ogden house, died last night after a short illness from pneumonia. He was 41 years old. For many years he was a cook on Mississippi steamboats.

It was learned yesterday at Moore's cigar store that Colonel Aranguren, when assassinated by Spanish soldiers, was smoking a peerless "Sultana" cigar and that was why he was not suspicious of anything.

I. L. Statzell, the Exira attorney who took an overdose of laudanum, is still in his room at the Grand hotel, progressing very favorably toward recovery. He had a high fever yesterday, but was able to talk and recognize all of his friends.

A team belonging to a farmer named McIntyre ran away last night and attempted to pass through the Rock Island yards, where freight cars and moving trains were thickest. The horses were badly hurt and the wagon wrecked.

E. W. Gregory died at his home in Silver Creek township yesterday of heart failure at the age of 44. He was a son of H. S. Gregory, one of the pioneers of the town. He worked on the old Union Pacific bridge when it was being built in 1870. He was unmarried.

Street Supervisor Hardin has a force of men repairing the Tenth avenue bridge. The bridge was in a very faulty condition when condemned by the supervisor, in fact, more than any one suspected. The timbers underneath the structure were so rotten that they could be kicked to pieces.

C. B. Viava Co., female remedy; consultation free. Office hours, 9 to 12 and 2 to 5. Health book furnished. 326-327-328 Merriam block.

N. Y. Plumbing company. Tel. 250.

Tomorrow begins the big fire sale of W. A. Welboldt stock at The Fair, Council Bluffs. You buy dry goods and notions for a song.

Whittlesey's Bond Approved.

R. N. Whittlesey, after six weeks of tedious waiting, had his bond approved last evening and was given his liberty. His bondsmen are E. H. Walters and William Cuppy. The schedule of property showing the amount exempt from attachment and liens owned by Mr. Cuppy was filed yesterday.

Prof. Edgar Frazier of Tabor college will give his famous monologue, "The Prisoner of Zendi," at the Congregational church January 31. Admission 25c.

The St. Anges Guild of Grace church will hold a dime museum and frolic of the freaks in the Sunday school room of the church on Saturday, February 5. Open afternoon and evening. Admission 10 cents. Refreshments will be served.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers are reported from the title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

L. B. Robinson and wife to William P. Thorn, lot 14, block 7, Street's add; w d	$1,200
Marzell Kersten and wife Sophia to Marzell Kersten, jr., lot 6, block 19, Squire's add; w d	1,000
Marzell Kersten and wife Sophia to Frederick Kersten, lots 41 and 42, block 12, Wright's add; w d	200
George W. Bennett, single, to The Independent School District of Council Bluffs; w d	300
Eliza J. Templeton to John W. Templeton, my husband, w½ sw¼ 30-75-42; q c	1
Reuben A. Burton and wife to John Peterson, lots 1, 2, 19 and 20, block 108, Crescent City; w d	80
Six transfers, total	$2,881

$5,000.00 fire stock dry goods and notions will be sold cheap at The Fair, Council Bluffs.

What Do You Think of This?

One Hundred and Fifty Fancy Odd Parlor Pieces to be sold this week only at 50 per cent discount.

Here are some of the articles:

Fine solid mahogany Roman Chair, price $25, for this week at $12.50.

Fine Mahogany $15 Chair at $7.50.

Fine Mahogany Finished Chair, former price $5, this week, $2.50.

All of these goods are upholstered in silk damask. No two pieces alike and all of the richest patterns made.

We mean business. Come early and get selections. Goods delivered in Omaha free of charge.

Durfee Furniture Co.

305-6-7 Broadway, Council Bluffs.

TWO HOLDUP ARTISTS HELD

Police Certain They Have a Pair of the Bandits Caught.

ONE OF THEM IS A COUNCIL BLUFFS MAN

Charles Davis and Charles Randolph, Who Helped Rob the Manhattan, Locked Up and Fully Identified.

Two of the three young men who held up the Manhattan saloon in this city on the night of January 13 are under arrest and have been positively identified by the Manhattan people and also by Max Mohn, proprietor of the Creston house, who ran them out of his house when they came in to hold up the barkeeper. The men under arrest are Charles Davis and Charles Randolph. The former is a Council Bluffs boy and his parents still are here.

The incident that led to their arrest was an attempt to repeat the holdup in Des Moines a few days ago. They were successful and would have escaped if the Council Bluffs officers had not been closely following their trail, which they picked up from a clew found on the morning after the robbery. In running through one of the alleys between Pearl and Fourth streets, Davis dropped a check book, an account book and a razor. He was busily engaged in dodging the bullets from the revolver of a police officer and had no opportunity of getting his property. The stuff was picked up early the following morning by a little colored boy and turned over to the police. The account book bore the names of Davis and Randolph and several addresses in Council Bluffs and Des Moines.

Davis and Randolph were suspected at the start and had been in the city for a couple of days. A former Council Bluffs young man who had been in jail with them in Des Moines told some of the officers that they were there and predicted that they would do some work before they left. The Des Moines police were communicated with and were trying to locate them in that city by watching the addresses given. In the meantime they held up a saloon in exactly the same manner as they did here. The Des Moines officers had located them, but delayed arresting them until more fully identified by the Council Bluffs officers. After the second robbery they were taken into custody and thoroughly identified by the saloonkeepers. Their pictures were sent to the Council Bluffs officers yesterday and were promptly identified by all of the men who had seen them during the night they operated here.

Young Davis is well known here, although he has been absent for some time. A year ago he forged his father's name to a check and left home. The father is a farmer who recently came to town. The check book found in the alley had been procured from Officer & Pusey's bank. The young man never had any money on deposit there, but the stubs in the check book show that he has drawn a number of checks. Randolph is unknown. The third man of the trio is known and his arrest will shortly follow.

There is some doubt concerning the possibility of getting the men here for trial until after they have been tried in Des Moines.

Few special bargains in storage goods at Durfee Furniture Co. Will also dispose of their fine bedroom suits, parlor suits and upholstered goods at 20 per cent discount to make room for a large consignment of furniture especially for the Transmississippi exposition trade.

SOCIAL EVENTS OF LAST WEEK.

Golden Wedding Anniversary in Prospect—Other Affairs.

An interesting social event has been arranged to transpire on Tuesday afternoon and evening, when Judge and Mrs. G. A. Robinson will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. They have spent the greater part of their lives in this city and forty-eight years of their wedded life and were always prominent in social and other affairs. They were married in Dixon, Ill., February 1, 1848, and came to Council Bluffs on March 4, 1850. Judge Robinson was chosen prosecuting attorney for Pottawattamie county in 1851. He was the first prosecuting attorney elected in the county and prosecuted the first murder case in 1853. In the succeeding years he was county judge, served a couple of terms in the city council and was assessor of the city and county for two terms. At the present time he is serving as deputy United States revenue collector, an office he has held for four years. Judge and Mrs. Robinson have a cozy little home at 225 North Thirty-fourth street, on the corner of Avenue C. It is quite likely that there will be a notable gathering there on Tuesday afternoon, when all of the older citizens and many others not quite so old, but who have known the judge and his family all their lives, will call and extend their congratulations. Judge Robinson is still a vigorous and active man and his good health and spirits are shared and enjoyed by his wife.

The farewell reception tendered to Rev. V. C. Rocho and Mrs. Rocho in the parlors of the First Baptist church on Friday evening was an event that called together a large number of Council Bluffs men and women. The reception fully demonstrated the regard and esteem in which the pastor and his family are held by the members of the church and the people of the city. The following program was rendered during the evening: Piano solo, Miss Belle Hoon; reading, Mrs. S. S. Face; vocal solo, Miss Grace Barr; violin solo, Mr. A. Zerkaske; selection, Harmonice quartet; reading, Mrs. H. Brooke; selection, Harmonice quartet; piano solo, Miss Laura McFaddon; selection, Harmonice quartet. After the program light refreshments were served in the chapel of the church. The tables were beautifully decorated and afforded a very pleasing effect. The pastor and his family leave for their new field of labor tomorrow.

Miss Rose Sheely of Omaha, Nina Gates and Margaret Kemp very pleasantly entertained their friends at the home of Miss Kemp's sister, Mrs. John Gerig, 332 Park avenue, on Thursday evening. The parlors and halls were handsomely decorated with red, white and pink carnations and smilax and the three young women were dressed in corresponding colors. One corner of one of the parlors was reserved for the cave of a gypsy fortune teller, whose oracular declarations afforded much amusement and interest for the young people. Another feature was of a semi-literary character. Twenty-five minutes was spent in talking on five different topics, five minutes being given to each subject with a different partner. The Redaway club, seated in the upper hall, furnished beautiful music during the evening. A delicious luncheon was served at 10:30, after which the game of pillow dex was participated in by all. The young people went home thoroughly satisfied with the success of the evening.

On Wednesday evening the Cotillion club gave one of its pleasantest parties of the season at Royal Arcanum hall. A portion of the decorations that helped to render the hall brilliant for the Burns banquet on the preceding evening were still in place and with the additional decorations provided by the club the handsome hall was most attractive. The german was led by Mr. Mayne and several unique figures were noticed, the most humorous one being the masks. The "donkey" seems to be chosen by the young women with avidity. The party was very largely attended.

On Monday Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bloomer entertained informally at cards. Mr. and Mrs. Lougee won prizes.

On Wednesday the Misses Schoentgen entertained informally at a Dutch lunch.

The announcement of the engagement of Dr. John Green to Miss Margaret Hamilton, one of the teachers at the Iowa School for the Deaf, attracted considerable interest in social circles during the week. Their marriage will take place in Pella, Ia., on February 9, where Miss Hamilton now is.

Mr. Walter J. Johnson, who was employed in the Keystone Manufacturing company's local branch for many years and who left it to study law, will return to the city with his family in a short time and will again make Council Bluffs his home. He has been living in Sterling, Ill.

Miss Mary Key is home from the east after an extended visit.

Mrs. W. W. Chapman has been making a short visit with her relatives here. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman are now located in Kirksville, Mo., where they went two years ago for the benefit of Mr. Chapman's health. His friends will be glad to know that he has so far recovered as to be able to resume business.

The Misses Schoentgen will leave in a few days for Quincy, Ill., where they will visit Dr. and Mrs. Hatch, who will be remembered by many friends whom they made while visiting here not long ago.

Miss Ella Husz was agreeably surprised last Saturday afternoon at her home on High street by a number of her friends. A very pleasant time was enjoyed by all. At 4 o'clock refreshments were served.

At the home of the Misses Eloise and Jennie Carse, on Fourth avenue, a number of their young friends from this city and Omaha spent Thursday evening delightfully playing the exciting and fascinating game of pillow dex.

Mrs. Wahr and daughter, Natalia, of Ann Arbor, Mich., were in this city Monday, en route to Los Angeles, Cal. They were the guests here of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pace.

Miss Mary Key has returned from the east, where she has been visiting friends.

Miss Walker was unable to teach school on account of the illness of her father, Miss Wallace taking her place.

Mrs. J. E. Hollenbeck has received word from her daughter, Faye, who joined the Keeline party in a trip to Florida for her health, that they are delightfully located at the Park house, Lake Maitland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barrett of Lincoln, Neb., were guests of relatives in this city last evening.

Miss Ethyl Thomas went to Glenwood Friday and will remain over Sunday with Miss Ella Hansen.

Mrs. R. J. Amy of Missouri Valley visited friends in this city during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bloomer left last night for a trip to Chicago.

Miss Lottie Aylesworth has returned from New York, where she has been studying music.

Mrs. McMenomy, Mrs. O'Brien and Miss Lange attended the Catholic fair in Missouri Valley.

Misses Daisy Dewell and Ella Sharpnack of Missouri Valley are visiting friends in this city.

Miss Eleanor Montgomery expects to leave soon for London, where she will stay during the court season.

Mrs. John Templeton and Miss Emma Potter will leave soon for a visit to Chicago.

Mrs. J. J. Gravatte is quite ill at her home on First avenue.

Mrs. F. Rink and daughter, Emma, are visiting in Chicago.

Mrs. Charles Officer is confined to the house with sickness.

Mr. James Record and daughter, Jeanette, of Glenwood were among the out of town guests at the Scotch banquet.

Mrs. W. J. James returned Wednesday night from Colorado Springs, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Courtland Palmer.

Miss Caroline Schoentgen has returned from Des Moines and Miss Pinney, in whose company she has been visiting, is expected home in a few days.

William Barker, C. A. Cassell and William Bentcliff left on Wednesday for Phoenix, Ari. Mrs. Barker and son went to Los Angeles, Cal., for a six months' visit with relatives.

Mrs. Dr. Thomas, accompanied by her daughter, Evelyn, went to Mount Clair, Tex., Wednesday evening, to visit her sister, Mrs. Thompson. Mrs. Thomas will return in about six weeks and her daughter will remain there the rest of the winter.

Mrs. Andis of Lincoln, Neb., is the guest of Miss Hill of 1019 Third avenue.

Miss Emma Beitsch has gone to Magnolia to visit with the Misses Koehns, daughters of Rev. Mr. Koehn.

Miss Nellie Fletcher of South Third street entertained during the week Mrs. Charles Janes of Omaha. Mrs. Janes was formerly Miss Jennie Savage and was a pupil at St. Francis' academy for several years. She is a musician of exceptional ability, and previous to her marriage, the 12th of this month, she lived at South Omaha, where she was one of the government microscopists.

Miss Effie Miles, one of the teachers at the Washington avenue school, is sick and confined to her bed. Miss Tinley is supplying her place.

Miss Hattie Pace is in Atlantic visiting at the home of T. R. Wallace and family.

Mrs. Thomas Green, Miss Green and the infant daughter of the late George Green, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Jackson, have rented the cottage at the corner of Graham and Madison avenue and will make it their home. Mr. Tom Green will make his home with them until his family arrives from the east.

Mrs. H. H. Field of 307 Platner street left on Tuesday for a two months' visit in Massachusetts.

The E. S. club will meet with Mrs. Carrie Ballenger, 721 Willow avenue, Monday evening, February 1.

The Rebekah Relief association will meet with Mrs. Wallace, 345 Avenue G, Wednesday afternoon, February 3.

The Enthusiastic club will meet with Mrs. Nugent, 1221 Fifth avenue, Thursday afternoon, February 4. A full attendance is desired, as important business will come before the club.

Miss Viola Otto and Miss Mamie Hollins leave tonight to spend Sunday with Miss Fannie Durr of Missouri Valley.

The coke walk given at Liberty hall Monday evening by the colored people was a laughable affair. The coke was won by Dick Gamble and Miss Toots Green. The prizes for the handsomest costumes were carried away by Robert Tracey and Miss Brown. William Johnson and Miss Brooks were adjudged to be the best waltzers. The judges were: Robert C. Peregoy, Charles J. Wattle, Rufus Johnson and William Green.

The art department of the Woman's club is arranging for Dickens' character party to be given some time before Lent. It is the intention of the club to invite all the admirers of the great English novelist who would like to represent some of the characters to do so. The only request made that all persons intending to take part will notify the committee of the character intended to be assumed, or if they do not care to make a selection to apply to the committee and be assigned a character. The committee is composed of Mrs. H. Everett, Mrs. E. C. Smith, Mrs. H. C. Cory, Mrs. J. J. Brown, Mrs. John N. Baldwin, Mrs. Hisey, Mrs. James McCabe, Mrs. N. P. Dodge, Mrs. H. W. Tilton, Mrs. Laura Baldwin, Misses Grace Deming and Harriett Blood.

Lodge Notes.

The Women of the World is a new order that has recently been organized in this city. In fact, Council Bluffs is its starting point, and Augusta Grove, No. 1 has for its membership a majority of the former members of Augusta Grove, Woodmen Circle, the ladies' auxiliary to the Woodmen of the World. Owing to a disagreement with the supreme oracle the circle's charter was revoked, and the individual members wishing to continue the fraternal features of their organization, formed the new order. At the last meeting the following officers were installed: C. C., Sophia B. Mynster; V. C., E. Kersten; C., S. Wescott; S., Katie Harrington; T., Eliza Detken; W., Alice Herton; C., Mattie Lansing; I. S., Carrie Anderson; O. S., Emma Smith; T., C. A. Tibbits, Dr. M. B. Snyder and W. C. Lackey. At the conclusion of the subordinate session the grand lodge convened and the following officers were installed by Susan Snyder, deputy grand installing officer: G. M., Mrs. Williams; G. S., Mrs. M. Faulkenberg; G. T., Mary Bloomstine; G. W., Mrs. Otto; M., Mrs. K. Harrington.

The grand officers expect to organize a number of subordinate camps soon.

The Royal Arcanum hall was comfortably filled Thursday evening by members of Conrad Hive, No. 3, Ladies of the Maccabees, and their friends who gathered to witness the public installation. A choice literary and musical program was rendered, followed by a banquet. The following ladies were duly installed by Lady Installing Officer Ellsworth: Mrs. L. L. Luchow, L. C.; Mrs. T. Precious, R. K.; Mrs. Craigmile, F. K.; Mrs. William Murdock, C.; Mrs. Farron, S.; Mrs. O. Younkerman, M. at A.; Mrs. H. Sunderland, S.; Mrs. Furguson, P.; Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Kane, B. B.

Unity Rebekah lodge, No. 388, will be entertained next Wednesday evening at the home of the Misses McMillen, 1700 Ninth avenue.

White Rose Rebekah lodge, No. 284, has installed the folowing officers: N. G., Anna Boyer; V. G., E. Billings; S., Sophia B. Mynster; T., M. Tibbits; C., Clara Kraught; W., C. Grosvenor; C., M. Goldstine; I. G., V. Talbott; O. G., M. Dobson; T., Anna Unger.

The Fraternal Union of America will give a public entertainment at Marcus hall next Tuesday evening. Supreme President F. F. Roose will be present. Council Bluffs lodge, No. 79, has over sixty members, of which a large proportion are ladies.

With the Churches.

First Baptist Church, Bayliss Park, Rev. V. C. Rocho, Pastor—Morning subject, "The Bible and How to Use It." In the evening the pastor will deliver his farewell sermon. All friends and strangers cordially welcome.

Fifth Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, Corner Fifth Avenue and Eighteenth Street, Rev. G. P. Fry, Pastor—The morning subject will be in harmony with the Sunday school lesson, "The Harmony of Prayer." Evening subject, "Men of Backbone." Other services as usual.

Second Presbyterian Church, Corner Frank and Harmony Streets, Rev. Alexander Litherland, Pastor—In the morning the Rev. Mr. Dienen will preach on the subject, "The Kingdom of God." Pastor's evening subject, "Prayer." All are welcome.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Sixth Street, near Fifth Avenue, Rev. L. P. McDonald, Rector—Morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock, subject, "The Influence and Use of Trials." In the evening the rector will deliver the second sermon in his series on the ten commandments. Mrs. Seibert will sing at the morning offertory, and a quartet in the evening. Seats all free. Everyone welcome.

Broadway Methodist Episcopal Church, Corner Broadway and First Street, Rev. J. H. Senseney, Pastor—All services as usual.

Central Christian Church, Odd Fellows' Temple, Rev. A. R. Caudle, Pastor—Preaching morning and evening.

Congregational Church, Corner Sixth Street and Seventh Avenue, Rev. J. W. Wilson, Pastor—Morning subject, "Selfishness, the Essence of Murder;" evening subject, "The Parenthetic Miracle."

St. John's English Lutheran Church, Southeast Corner Willow Avenue and Seventh Street, Rev. G. W. Snyder, Pastor—Morning subject, "For the Gospel;" evening subject, "Night and Day."

Christian Science, 402 Sap Building—Bible lesson at 10:45 a. m.; subject, "Jesus Teaching How to Pray." Readings from "Science and Health." Experience meeting Friday evening.

The Ministerial association will meet tomorrow morning at 10:30 at St. John's English Lutheran church. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Don't miss the great fire sale at The Fair Monday at Council Bluffs. $5,000.00 fire stock sold very cheap.

For sale, 1,000 acres fine bottom land in tracts of eighty acres and upward. Greenshields & Mayne, 551 Broadway, Council Bluffs, Ia.

SUSPENDS UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

Result of Attempt to Break Up Freshman Banquet.

IOWA CITY, Jan. 29.—Twenty-three members of the sophomore class were today suspended from the State university for the part they took in preventing the annual freshman banquet held two weeks ago. On the night appointed for the banquet a number of freshmen, including three young women, were abducted forcibly, put into carriages and driven into the country. While the women were being forced into the carriage, one of them had the tendons of her knee loosened in the struggle and she will be crippled for life. Among those let out is the crack ball player of the college and athletic circles are deeply stirred up over the matter.

Saloons Must Go.

CHEROKEE, Ia., Jan. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—All the mulct petitions have been turned in and are lacking considerable of having the 65 per cent of the county. The city came within 5 per cent of securing the 80 per cent required to run independent of the county. This is a deadener on the saloons in Cherokee, and a boon for the bootlegger, who will now be in his glory. The solid business men of the town had become disgusted with the manner in which the saloons were being conducted and united in an effort to have them run according to the mulct law, but failed, and Cherokee will probably be pestered with the bootlegger until the mulct law is changed or repealed for another effort will never be made to secure consent. The fight has been bitter and has left matters in a bad form in more than one way. The part the city council took in the matter stirred up a bad feeling among the few prohibitionists and from the start the fight was red hot. A great many church members signed the petition and now they are liable to be ousted if all reports are true. One enthusiastic Methodist offered up a prayer the other night in which he prayed that all who signed the petition might be banished from the community. Another member jumped up and said he was in favor of firing every member who signed it. The question has not been one of temperance, but whether Cherokee should have saloons run according to law or whether the bootlegger should still reign and the bootlegger won out. As a matter of course arrests will follow and a great amount of costs heaped on the county which the taxpayers will have to stand, as there is no revenue coming in and the city treasury is empty.

Jail Delivery Averted.

SIOUX CITY, Jan. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—A wholesale jail delivery at the Woodbury county jail was only averted this morning from the fact that all of the prisoners, except one, were asleep. Claude Devoy, a self-confessed highwayman, discovered that the jailer had failed to lock the cell in which he and several other men were confined. He got out, but went alone. The man went to a resort and got drunk instead of running away. He was captured again this morning. Devoy is a very important witness in cases against two other highwaymen, and his escape caused considerable excitement.

Badly Burned.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Jan. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—While working about the house this morning, the clothing of the 22-year-old daughter of James Davis, living near Sigourney, caught fire. She ran through the house and set it on fire. The aged mother in attempting to go to her rescue fell, breaking her leg, and was helpless. The father is an invalid unable to move from his bed. At this juncture a neighbor came to the house and succeeded in extinguishing the flames, saving the lives of the two old people. The girl was so badly burned, however, that she died in a few hours.

New Odd Fellows' Lodge.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Delegates from this city instituted a new Independent Order of Odd Fellows lodge in St. Anthony, a small town northwest of here, last evening. The name chosen is Tornado lodge, and the following officers were installed: J. W. Tight, N. G.; G. B. Gaunt, V. G.; O. J. Abbott, T.; A. D. Lewis, S. A banquet and speech making followed. The new lodge has a membership of eighty.

Charge of Murder.

OTTUMWA, Ia., Jan. 29.—Ellen Nicholson died here last night. Dr. Whittaker and William Souders have been arrested charged with the murder. The coroner's jury this afternoon held them responsible for the girl's death by a criminal abortion. It is said Saunders was engaged to the girl. All are quite well known here.

BLOODY WORK OF FIENDS

Mother and Her Young Daughter Found Mutilated and Frozen.

REVOLTING CRIME COMMITTED IN IOWA

Young Girl Criminally Assaulted and Throat Cut from Ear to Ear—Mother's Head Split with an Axe.

BURLINGTON, Ia., Jan. 29.—The dead and frozen bodies of Mrs. Fanny Rathburn and her 12-year-old daughter Mary were found this afternoon in pools of blood at their lonely home west of the city. The woman had been struck in the head with an ax, which was found leaning against a nearby wall. Her head was split open.

The body of the child was found in a bedroom off the kitchen with the throat cut from ear to ear. Evidences of a horrible struggle for life were present on all sides. Evidently the young girl had been brutally assaulted by the murderer, although her torn clothing indicated she had fought desperately for her honor. Having accomplished the deed, the villain cut her throat. This was not done without a great struggle, the girl's hands showing cuts where she had attempted to defend herself. Blood was scattered all over the bed and on the floor.

The body of the woman was found to be eaten by rats and presented a horrible sight.

Several arrests have been made and the police are actively engaged in running down several clues. It is believed the crime was committed Sunday night, and that the bodies have been in the house ever since. The woman was a widow of good repute, though quite poor, and no motive but the outrage of the daughter can be supposed. The officers refuse to give the names of the persons under arrest.

HITT GIVES HIS VIEWS ON HAWAII.

Considers the Islands of Great Value to This Country.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The Post's Washington correspondent sends the following exclusive interview with Chairman Hitt of the house committee on foreign relations:

"The gist, in my opinion, of the whole Hawaiian question, lies in the strategical importance of the little group, considered as a point, or station, or base for naval operations facing our western coast. There is a strong resemblance in this case to the Bermudas, except that the Bermudas are not so commanding. That is, there are other islands to the south of them which would, in case of conflict, to some extent take their place with foreign powers even if we possessed the Bermudas. With the possession of the Hawaiian islands we would have what might be considered safety for our western coast against any naval power except from Great Britain, which could still get coal for its ships from the British Columbian ports and use that base for naval operations.

"The subordinate features of the question much discussed—the question of sugar, the character of the population, the mode of government, etc., are objections and solutions of objections that take up a good deal of attention, but I think are of minor importance. The control of a country cannot be permanently held half way. We have now by treaty certain exclusive rights, but that is a terminable treaty, and the Hawaiian republic is theoretically an independent nation, but is wholly incapable of defending itself and preserving its independence the moment that we come into a conflict and any naval power presenting itself which chooses to take possession. Once it was possessed by a power like Japan, England or Germany, it would be the story of the Bermudas over again, only a stronger and more effective Bermuda, on our western front. With a coaling station 2,000 miles out, we double the time and length of effective cruises of war ships going out from San Francisco, and proportionately increase the effective result of the expenditure in getting up a ship. Having no neighboring islands, it leaves the immense expanse of the north Pacific utterly inhospitable to our opponent if we hold it. It is thus of great value as a place of defense or for an enemy to operate against us.

"I have thought for many years that these islands were of essential importance to us. The impression that I got when in the State department in 1881 remains with me. When the question of extending the reciprocity treaty was then under consideration, I was impressed with these facts. The sugar question and its branches is a matter of squabble now between competing interests. Once incorporated they all go into the hopper together as completely as are today the beet root of Nebraska and the cane of Louisiana."

GAIN IN STOCKS FOR THE WEEK.

Slump in the Early Days More Than Recovered.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The week in the stock market opened with every indication of a continuance of the dullness and heaviness of last week. Prices sagged all through the early dealings on Monday, and with the news that the Maine had been dispatched to Havana there was something very like a slump in the market, recent speculative favorites suffering the most. This sharp decline served to wipe out the margins and shake out weak holders. It was also sufficient to invite bears to cover, so that the condition of the market was much strengthened thereby. On Tuesday morning it became evident that foreign observers viewed the Maine incident as rather improving than straining the relationship between Spain and the United States. In view of these improved conditions there was a large absorption of securities at the lower level on Tuesday. The bull campaign has been aided by the very aggressive strength of New York Central on rumors that it would merge with Lake Shore, Kansas & Texas preferred on the margin of earnings shown on the stock, Rock Island on the perfecting of the refunding plan and Northern Pacific preferred on belief that an additional dividend was imminent. London has been a large buyer of stocks in this market and the bulls pushed up prices also on anticipatory reports that President McKinley's speech on Thursday evening would be favorable to financial and business interests. There has been large realizing at different times and at different points, but the level of prices is substantially higher on the week. The buying of bonds has been of enormous proportions, the transactions for January far exceeding in volume those for any other month in the history of the exchange. Net gains of one to two points and upward are the rule. New York Central has gained 6, Lake Shore 9, Rock Island 4½ and Kansas & Texas preferred about 4 points.

WEAK MEMORY A BAR TO JUSTICE.

United States Grand Jury Suspends an Investigation.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 29.—A special to the Republican from Santa Fe, N. M., says: The United States grand jury, which has for the past three weeks been conducting an official investigation into the charges that bribery and corruption were practiced in the past two legislative assemblies, presented its report in court this afternoon. The report sets forth that owing to the long period of time that has elapsed since the sessions of the Thirty-first and Thirty-second assemblies, three years in the first instance and one in the latter, and owing also to "the weak and indistinct memories of the witnesses," it was impossible to procure evidence sufficient to base indictments upon.

Big Verdict for Libel Stands.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Judge Brown of the circuit court has overruled the motion of Alexander Prussing for a new trial in the celebrated libel case of Lewis B. Jackson, in which the jury awarded a verdict of $20,000 in Jackson's favor. The action was brought on account of the statements made by Prussing concerning Jackson in connection with the administration of the office of city engineer of Chicago under Jackson. An appeal was prayed for and bond fixed at $25,000. This is said to be one of the largest judgments ever recovered against an individual for libel.

SAVES CREW OF A SINKING SHIP.

All Brought Off in Safety and by a Passing Steamer.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The steamer Aller, which arrived today, brought the captain and twenty-four of the crew of the British tramp steamer Dago, of Sunderland, who were taken off that vessel at sea while it was in a sinking condition. The Dago left Leith on December 31 for Baltimore in ballast. On January 8 the main steampipe burst and the machinery became disabled. The steamer fell off in the trough of the sea and rolled about in heavy seas. For twelve days the unfortunate craft laid in this condition. The bunker bulkheads were burst in by the terrific pitching and tossing of the vessel, the coal fell through into the engine room and choked the pumps and shaft alley, the vessel became leaky and the water was soon level with the engine room floor. On January 27 the Aller hove in sight and soon bore down to the sinking vessel. The Aller launched one of its large life boats, in which three trips were made to the sinking craft, and the whole crew was taken off, the Dago being abandoned to its fate.

Deaths of a Day.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 29.—A telegram received here from Philadelphia today announces the death in that city of Dr. Theophilus Parvin, one of the most distinguished physicians of the country, formerly of Indianapolis. He had been ill for some weeks and his death was not unexpected.

OSCEOLA, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Another of Polk county's veterans has joined the majority. His name was Eli Bennett and he served in companies K and C, Fifteenth regiment, Illinois volunteer infantry. An effort had lately been made through Congressman Stark to get his claim made special, on account of danger of his immediate death.

ALLIANCE, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Charles H. Nichols, postmaster at Alliance under President Cleveland's administration, died at his home in this city at 8 o'clock a. m. today. Mr. Nichols was an old resident of Box Butte county. He was county commissioner at one time and has held several offices. He leaves a widow and four children, three sons and one daughter.

NORFOLK, Neb., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Dr. G. B. Richards, an old and wealthy resident of this city, was suddenly stricken with apoplexy while entering his rooms in the Richards block last night about 7 o'clock and fell to the floor and died before help reached him. He leaves two daughters, one the wife of Hon. A. J. Durland of this city, who is now visiting in New York, and the other also married and residing in Iowa. A brother of the doctor resides at Lincoln.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 28.—Hon. Elwood Evans, the oldest practicing lawyer in this state, dropped dead from heart disease on the street today at the age of 70 years. In 1862 he was secretary of the territory and during 1865-66 was acting governor during the absence of Governors Pickering and Cole.

Fires of a Day.

IMPERIAL, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special.)—Wednesday night about 8:30 a fire was discovered in the building occupied by G. W. Rogers & Son as a furniture and general store, but by the time the people arrived there it had such a start that it was impossible to check it or even get into the building, and a total loss was sustained on building and contents. The wagon and repair shop of W. H. Boardman, standing adjacent, was badly damaged. The loss sustained by Rogers & Son was about $2,000, with $1,400 insurance, and loss of Mr. Boardman about $100, fully insured. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Keeps a Record of His Stealings.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 29.—Developments in the case of Fred Urfer, under arrest for robbing the J. Bolland Jewelry company, by which he was employed as clerk, show that he stole goods aggregating $12,000 in value. He kept a complete set of books in which his stealings were entered, together with their disposition. There were, perhaps, 150 to 200 names in the book of persons to whom the stolen jewelry had been sold. These people had been notified and much of the Bolland property is being returned from day to day.

Nansen Sails for England.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, the Arctic explorer, sailed on the Campania today for Liverpool. Before leaving Dr. Nansen said: "I am going direct to London, where I shall deliver ten lectures. Then I leave for Christiania, where I intend to prepare a scientific report of my expedition. It is possible that I may return to this country." Dr. Nansen denied that he had any intention of accompanying Lieutenant Peary on his next polar expedition.

Building Cars for Africa.

BLOOMSBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—The Bloomsburg Car Manufacturing company of this city has been awarded the contract to build 100 gondola cars by the Orange Free State Railway company of South Africa. They will also build for the same company fifteen passenger cars similar to an American passenger coach, excepting a little smaller. These will be the first cars of this description built in America for use in Africa.

President Diaz Is Coming.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—Special from the City of Mexico says: President Diaz is preparing to make a visit to the United States. It is understood he will visit all the principal cities, including St. Louis, Chicago, New York and Washington and the Pacific coast. A train of three magnificent cars ordered months ago from the Pullman company has reached this city and another will follow shortly.

John Smith Held for Trial.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 29.—The young man languishing in jail under the name of "John Smith," who was arrested last Tuesday for holding up Judge Madill, president of the Union Trust building, at the point of a pistol, and demanding $5,000, was arraigned in court today. Through his attorney, Jesse A. McDonald, the prisoner waived the preliminary examination and was held in default of $1,000 bail for the grand jury.

Meets in Denver Next January.

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 29.—The executive committee of the National Live Stock Association of the United States, which was organized at the recent convention, adopted by-laws for the government of the association, and fixed January 23, 1899, as the date for the next convention, which is to be held in Denver.

Leaves His Estate for a Hospital.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Jan. 29.—By the will of former Chief Justice John M. Scott, his estate, amounting to about $200,000, is to be held in trust for the benefit of his heirs until their death, when it is to go to the city of Bloomington for the founding of a hospital.

Thrifty Farmer

MILAN, Mo., Jan. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—Ed Hooton of Cora, six miles south of this city, is engaged in a peculiar business, from which he says he has derived a nice income the last two months. He will buy horses for $1 a head, kill them for their hides and then sell their carcasses to a hog feeder for 25 cents.

Collin Company Assigns.

TOLEDO, O., Jan. 29.—Judge Hunter of the superior court today appointed David J. Workum receiver of the Standard Collin company, under an amicable arrangement by the directors and stockholders. The assets are placed at $20,000; liabilities, $7,000.

Grand Jury Indicts an Attorney.

CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 29.—The grand j