HALTED BY A POINT OF LAW

Progress of the Case Before Judge Powell is Blocked.

ATTORNEYS IN BARTLEY SUIT ARGUING

Admission of the Fact of the Lancaster County Case in Evidence Brings Out a Sharp Controversy.

The argumentative stage seems to have been reached in the trial of the suit against the bondsmen of ex-State Treasurer Bartley. There are several important questions of law involved in the case, but all of these have been put in the background while the facts and evidence were being placed in possession of the jury. The law points, however, are being pressed forward now in the course of the presentation of the defense by the bondsmen.

The entire morning session was spent in further arguing the question, the defense having its inning. Attorney E. E. Brown, who is one of the defending bondsmen, answered the arguments made by the state's attorney. He quoted a dozen different authorities to support the position taken by the defendants in attempting to introduce in evidence the Lancaster county case. The attorney admitted that if the $335,000 sued for there was not included in the amount of the present case that it would not be competent or proper to admit the pleadings. But he insisted that the evidence showed that the $335,000 was included in the second term shortage. He based this statement on the testimony of State Treasurer Meserve, saying that in his demand upon Bartley Meserve had demanded an accounting for the two terms.

Attorney E. M. Bartlett followed Attorney Brown in a brief argument in which he further dilated upon the latter's argument. The remainder of the morning session was occupied by Atorney General Smyth in answering. He maintained particularly that the attorney general has no power to waive the rights of the state by any admission, and quoted authorities to support him.

At noon a recess was taken until Monday morning, Judge Powell reserving his decision until then.

Notice.

The Young Men's Hebrew Benevolent association entertainment and dance, which was to be held at old Metropolitan hall, 14th and Dodge, Sunday, Feb. 20, '98, will be held at new Metropolitan hall, 234 and Harney Sts., Feb. 20, '98.

Daylight Train to Chicago.

Beginning Monday, February 7, the Northwestern line will place in service a daylight train to Chicago, leaving Omaha 7 a. m., Council Bluffs 7:25 a. m., and arriving Chicago 8:45 p. m., making connections with evening trains for all points east.

Dining cars serve all meals.

The afternoon limited trains at 4:45 and 6:45 p. m., arriving Chicago next morning at 7:45 and 9:30 a. m., respectively, still remain in service.

City ticket office 1401 Farnam st.

G. F. WEST, C. P. and T. A.
J. A. KUHN, General Agent.

Prof. Windsor will lecture tonight and Monday to men only at Creighton hall on subjects of the greatest importance. The lecture is free.

The original pen and ink sketches of "Petronilla, the Sister," Emma Homan Thayer's new book—are on exhibition at Whitmore's Art store—for the next few days. They are by the well known artist, Mr. Remington Lane of New York.

Gordon & Dilworth will continue their beautiful displays of table delicacies, olives, etc., at the Millard hotel until Wednesday evening. Connoisseurs of Omaha invited.

She Wants Her Trunk.

Lou Etta Clarke, a small colored woman who has been employed for some time past by Henry Coombs, who lives near Twenty-fifth and Leavenworth streets, had a warrant issued for the arrest of her employer on a charge of larceny as bailee. She alleges that she left the employ of Coombs a few days ago and when she returned for her trunk he refused to deliver it.

HALF RATES SOUTH.

Via Port Arthur Route.

The Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf railroad will sell round trip tickets any date, at one fare (plus $2) to all points on its line, south of Gentry, Ark.

For rates, advertising matter and all information, call at "Port Arthur Route" office, No. 1415 Farnam street, (Paxton Hotel Block) or write, Harry E. Moores, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Omaha, Neb.

A guaranteed cure for catarrh. Dr. Gee Loy, Chinese physician, 13th and Douglas.

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Charge Against a Dog Owner.

Joseph Dickey, 1714 Dorcas street, has been arrested for keeping a vicious dog. The warrant was sworn out by Mike Hegerty, who alleged that the entire neighborhood was in terror of Dickey's dog. Several months ago Dickey and his dog were complained of by Hegerty, but the matter was settled out of court by chaining the dog. Hegerty says that as his son was passing the house where the dog holds forth the canine uttered a vicious growl and jumping over the fence bereft his son of the major portion of his trousers. In addition to this the dog bit a large slice out of the boy's leg. Fearful that if the dog ever fell victim to the rabies that his son by some mysterious spell would follow suit, in accordance with the old tradition, Hegerty demanded the life of the dog. Shortly before noon the canine, a very docile and handsome setter was tied up in the jail office. By order of the court it will be killed.

Burlington Route

It Has Never Been Late.

Two weeks ago today, the Burlington Route placed in service a new Chicago-Denver train, leaving Chicago at 10 a. m., Omaha at 11:55 p. m. and due in Denver at 1:30 p. m. next day.

This new train, known as the "Denver Special", has never yet failed to reach both Omaha and Denver EXACTLY on time.

The most remarkable thing is that this record has been made in the dead of winter—when wind and snow and ice combine to make fast time anything but easy.

Ticket Office, 1502 FARNAM ST., OMAHA.
J. B. REYNOLDS, Pass'r Agt.

Billy Ostrander's Surprise.

As the exposition season draws nigh hundreds of Omaha people are beginning to think seriously of suitable places at which to entertain their numerous visiting friends. We will have, of course, clubs, theaters, summer gardens and minor attractions by the score, but the one place desired above all others is the cozy nook in which to chat and enjoy one's ease after the turmoil and excitement of exposition days. For this purpose we know of no place better equipped than the new resort just opened by Billy Ostrander at 312 South Fifteenth street, where liquid refreshments will be served in style, as only our popular Billy, late of the Paxton cafe, knows how to serve—a style, by the way, unsurpassed in the western country.

One scarcely steps inside before being inspired by the superb splendor of the interior, its wonderful screen catching the eye at once—a marvel of solid mahogany over base boards of Tennessee marbel set with 361 pieces of beveled, frosted and mirrored art glass; and the bar presents a front no less unique, its full length a rich red, solid mahogany. The buffet is arrayed in one glitter of crystal, and these, with satin-finished wall paper blending in most pleasing harmony, complete an ensemble of luxury unequalled west of Chicago—an artistic success due largely to the exquisite taste and thorough workmanship displayed by the Brunswick-Balke Callender company, who fitted up the equipment.

ANNIVERSARY OF PYTHIANISM.

Local Members Observe the Order's Natal Day in Fitting Fashion.

Yesterday was the thirty-fourth anniversary of the founding of the order of the Knights of Pythias and in honor and celebration of the day the Pythian Veteran association of Nebraska held its first annual dinner last night. 6

The association is of an exclusive character, only Pythians who have been members of the order for at least twenty years being admitted to membership. It was organized late last fall and consequently the membership roll is as yet not very large. At present some twenty-five have joined and about half of these were present at the dinner last night, an even dozen being seated about the boards. They were: John Q. Goss, George H. Crager, Dr. O. S. Wood, John J. Monell, E. E. French, J. F. Fairlie, Mel H. Hoerner, Ed H. Haymaker, Will L. Selsm, J. M. MacFarland, J. T. Dailey and Harry M. Boydston of Nebraska City, grand chancellor of Nebraska.

The dinner was quite elaborate. The humorous menu card which gave the courses would have puzzled the reader to decipher just what was eaten. At the conclusion of the feast and when cigars were lighted the following toasts were responded to, the toastmaster being John J. Monell: "After Dinner Talk," John Q. Goss; "Nebraska No. 1—The Mother of Western Lodges," Colonel George H. Crager; "A Banquet Without Wine or Women," Dr. O. S. Wood; "Fraternal Societies," D. H. Wheeler; "Were Damon and Pythias 'Goldbugs' or 'Bimetallists?'" J. S. Shropshire; "The Subordinate Lodge—The Mainstay of the Order," Harry M. Boydston; "I Want to Be a Veteran and with the Veterans Stand," Will L. Selsm.

A very enjoyable entertainment was given last night in Myrtle hall under the auspices of Nebraska lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias. The principal portion of the program was taken up by Prof. Reno, a member of the lodge. He gave a very entertaining exhibition of magic and presided over an interesting a performance of trained dogs. Captain Davis of the Department of the Platte also gave a number of selections upon the graphophone and Master John Jacobs rendered a couple of dialect recitations which met with considerable applause. The entertainment was attended by a good crowd.

WEBSTER ZOUAVES' UNIFORMS.

New Company Getting Into Line for Its First Appearance.

The members of the Webster Zouaves have been able to raise a uniform fund and at present have in their possession an amount exceeding $300. Three prominent uniform manufacturers have been written to for samples and they are expected by the beginning of the present week. The company will comprise thirty-five members, rank and file, with four officers. The officers are as follows: G. W. Sues, captain; P. Seward, first lieutenant; F. C. Shellhart, second lieutenant; and R. E. Herdman, third lieutenant. The first company to officially recognize the Webster Zouaves were the officers and members of company G, Second regiment, Nebraska National guards, known as the Omaha guards, who have invited the zouaves and their lady friends to attend their monthly competitive drills. Captain Deffry, commanding the Neely Zouaves of Memphis, Tenn., present champions of the United States, has written informing the members that he expects to be in Omaha this summer with his company and famous Zouave band. Captain Forbes of the Chicago Zouaves also expressed the hope of being able to be here during the exposition, while Cusil Letchtman of the Hale Zouaves of Kansas City has volunteered his services as far as possible. The uniform most in favor at present comprises dark blue bloomers, a blue jacket, with tasty yellow trimming, and white vest, a red zouave sash, a red fez and white leggings.

The new Mercer hotel, under the management of Dick Smith, is gaining in popularity daily. Table unexcelled. Special rates to regular boarders: 62 rooms with bath.

Mystic flour, made of best northern wheat.

CAUGHT UNDER A MOTOR TRAIN.

Dr. Rogers Knocked Down by a Trolley Car and Badly Bruised.

Dr. O. C. Rogers was run into by an electric car a few minutes after noon at the corner of Thirteenth and Davenport streets. Dr. Rogers gives the following account of the accident: "I am taking a special course at Creighton Medical college. I was coming from St. Joseph's hospital to my room at 316 North Fifteenth street. When I got off the car I started to cross the other track and did not know there was a car coming. The car was upon me before I knew it. I threw out my hands and they kept me from being drawn under the car and broke the force of the blow. The cut on my head is not very painful, but my leg is badly bruised and where the car hit me on the side I have terrible pains."

Mr. Rogers has a great gash in his forehead, just above the right eye, and it is feared that he has sustained serious internal injuries.

Union Carpenters, Attention.

Our regular meeting for Tuesday, Feb. 22, is postponed to Wednesday, Feb. 23, for this week only. F. L. CUNNINGHAM, Sec.

Mystic flour, guaranteed absolutely best.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Sheriff McDonald went to Lincoln last night, taking with him Minnie Parr, adjudged insane.

Louis and August Wolf, who have been selling jumping jacks worked by invisible black threads have been arrested for peddling without a license.

The case of Kitty Owens, Joe Rogers, Addie Frazer and others, which was set for trial in police court yesterday, has been postponed until Friday at 2 o'clock.

Contractor McCloud of Minneapolis, who is to do the finishing work on the upper stories of the new federal building, was in Omaha yesterday. He will return and comence the work in two weeks.

The case of Edward Peterson and Charles Nordenberg, charged with operating nickel-in-the-slot machines as gambling devices, set for hearing in police court yesterday, was continued until next Wednesday at 2 o'clock.

Deputy Sheriff Morgan of Glenwood, Ia., with a couple of detectives, succeeded in placing under arrest Frank Sudly and Elmer Johnson, who are wanted in that city for assaulting an old man and very seriously injuring him. The sheriff and his prisoners left for home this morning.

There will be a literary entertainment given at Plymouth Congregational church, Kountze Place, on Monday evening under the direction of Mrs. W. N. Dorward. The following, assisted by Mrs. C. M. Sherrill, vocalist, and Master Elmer Umsted, the boy soprano, will take part: Misses Houston, Secrist, Hervey, Benedict, Atwood, Dorward and Mesdames Patrick, Cox, Crowley, Lee, Benedict, Davidson and Coon of the department of oratory of Omaha Woman's club.

DEFENSE TAKES ITS INNING

Begins Its Showing in Behalf of August Kastner.

PRATTS CONTRADICT STATE'S WITNESSES

Father and Son Tell Another Story of the Events that Immediately Followed the Shooting at Nelson's.

In the case of the State against August Kastner, the prosecution has rested and the defense has introduced the testimony of its principal witness, E. D. Pratt, sr., an old resident of Omaha and a man who lives two doors from the saloon.

At the preliminary examination of the Kastners, held in police court, Pratt was a witness for the state and his name was endorsed on the information to the district court, but he was not called. The defense, however, regarded him as an important witness and put him on the stand, bringing out what is considered valuable evidence for the prisoner.

In his testimony Mr. Pratt has contradicted the evidence of a number of witnesses for the state and has also given evidence relative to what Officer Glover stated a few minutes after the shooting occured.

The morning session of Judge Slabaugh's court convened at the usual hour, but at 11:30 o'clock, he adjourned until Monday morning cautioning the jurors against discussing the issues involved in the case under consideration. He also denied the request that the jurors be taken to the scene of the homicide, contending that the plats, diagrams and photographs of the territory in the vicinity of Thirtieth and Spaulding streets contained all the information that could be gathered by a visit to the premises.

HEMMING FOR THE DEFENSE.

Ezra Hemming, an ex-chief of detectives, was called by the defense and asked: "A few days after the arrest of the Kastners, and when Detective Hudson came to you with the statement that he had a clew, did you not say to him, 'There is no use running after a street car after you have got aboard; the Kastners are the men we want, and we want to get the evidence against them?'"

The county attorney objected to the witness answering and the objection was sustained, but not until after Hemming had said that he had made no such statement.

E. D. Pratt, jr., again went on the stand. The county attorney objected to Attorney Ritchie conducting the examination, saying that when the witness was on the stand before he was questioned by Attorney Kelkenney for the defense.

Attorney Ritchie said that he did not desire to quibble over such an immaterial matter, and the further examination of the witness was conducted by Attorney Kelkenney.

The witness said that he saw a man between him and the engine house when he went out in the field where Officer Glover was lying. This man was some distance away, but was within the range of light that came from the engine house.

SENIOR PRATT'S STORY.

E. D. Pratt, sr., testified to residing at 2919 Spaulding street, two doors from the Nelson saloon. He said that he was acquainted with the surrounding premises and the location of the buildings around the corner of Thirtieth and Spaulding streets.

On the night of the shooting of the two officers the witness stated that he was at home. That night he retired at about 10:30 o'clock. At about 3 o'clock the following morning he was aroused from his slumbers by the report of guns. Getting out of bed, he ran to the door on the east side of the house and looked out. The night was very dark and it was raining, just a light rain. Witness could see nothing. After that witness again went to the door and heard a man cry out, "God, I'm shot." Going back into the room of the house, witness called his son, E. D. Pratt, jr., who dressed and went out to the man who was shot. Witness then dressed and went out doors, going to where Glover was lying. When witness reached Glover that officer told him that he had been shot, but by whom he could not say.

"I asked him if he could not give me some description of the parties who did the shooting."

"What did he say?" asked Attorney Ritchie.

"He said that it was so dark that he could not see the men or distinguish their forms or clothes."

Standing over Glover, witness said that he could see the outline of his form, but could not discern his features.

"What is the condition of your eyesight, Mr. Pratt?"

"Very good," answered the witness.

Witness said that he, his son, E. D. Pratt, jr., Mr. Clark and Mr. Fox carried Glover to the engine house.

"Did you see Donald Riley at the point where Glover was lying?"

"No, sir; there were no persons there but my son Clark, Fox and myself."

Riley had testified heretofore that he was one of the first men to go to Glover after the shooting.

TOO DARK TO SEE.

When Clark came up to where witness was standing, the witness could not see him until he reached his side. This, witness said, was due to the fact that the night was so dark.

From the point where Glover was lying witness could not see the front of the engine house, at the corner of Thirtieth and Spaulding streets, nor could he see the lights in the front of the building. Witnesses for the state had testified that from where Glover was lying after he was shot they could look into the front of the engine house in question.

Going into Nelson's saloon with several other parties, after leaving the engine house, witness saw three beer glasses standing on the top of the counter. All of the glasses had the appearance of having been used. Witnesses for the state had testified that there was but one beer glass upon the counter.

Referring to a conversation with Nelson, while in the saloon on the morning of the shooting, witness said that about one-half of a keg of beer had been taken.

The lights on the corner of Thirtieth and Spaulding streets could not have been seen from where Glover was lying owing to the intervening buildings.

Cross-examined, Mr. Pratt again detailed the occurrences attending the shooting of Officers Tiedeman and Glover. The testimony was substantially a repetition of that given on direct. When witness first reached Glover, he, Glover, appeared much frightened and his talk seemed to be incoherent.

Witness denied that on one occasion he said to a man named Warrick: "Glover was in such a condition and suffering from pain so that I could hardly make him understand." He also denied having said to Hemming about a week before the preliminary hearing, "I did not notice the condition of the bar of the saloon on the morning of the shooting." He also denied having said to Hemming, "Nelson told me that there was but one beer glass on the bar and that the Kastners were the parties who committed the crime."

Asked if he had any interest in the case, witness replied: "Only in the interest of justice."

On re-direct examination the witness said that in police court he was subpoenaed by the state.

Overrules the Demurrer.

The contending factions in the Douglas County Agricultural society lined up before Judge Scott, where the old officers won the first legal round.

At the December meeting of the Douglas County Agricultural society O. J. Pickard and his associates were succeeded by G. R. Williams and his associates. The old officers charge that Williams and his followers were illegally elected. Then the matter went into court and now Judge Scott has overruled the demurrer of Williams to the petition and given the defendants seven days in which to answer.

Before the adjournment of court all of the parties expressed a desire for an early and speedy trial. Judge Scott considered the matter and said that he would advance the case in order to allow it to be tried at this term of court.

Another Suit Against Grable.

The Arlington Chemical company has sued F. C. Grable and M. L. Parrotte in an action to recover the sum of $2,600, alleged to be due on a draft presented and not paid. The plaintiff asks that Parrotte be restrained from assigning or cancelling a judgment which he secured against Grable a few days since. Arguments on the application for a permanent injunction will be made before Judge Fawcett on February 26 at 10 o'clock in the morning of that day.

Notes from the Courts.

George E. Stokes has secured an injunction that restrains O'Neill & Gilbert from bringing suit and attaching his salary due from the firm for which he now works.

H. G. Candee and John B. Smith have asked to be allowed to intervene in a suit brought by M. L. Parrotte against F. C. Grable. They also ask that the judgment rendered in favor of Parrotte be set aside.

Arraigned in criminal court before Judge Slabaugh, the following parties pleaded not guilty: Savannah Reed, grand larceny; Naomi Alpherson and James Benson, burglary.

Frank E. Moores has appealed from the findings of the county commissioners, wherein fees aggregating $4,593 were disallowed. Moores claims that the fees were earned while he was clerk of the district and that he has a legal claim against the county for the full amount.

BRILLIANT MILITARY RECORD.

Career of General Ludington is Reviewed.

The Army and Navy Journal has this complimentary notice of General M. I. Ludington, well known in Omaha, recently made quartermaster general of the United States army:

"As has been anticipated, the president sent this week to the senate the appointment of Colonel Marshall I. Ludington, assistant quartermaster general, U. S. A., the senior of his grade, to succeed Brigadier General George H. Weeks, quartermaster general, who was retired for age on February 3.

"The military record of General Ludington is, as we have heretofore stated, of the very best, and personally he is one of the most courteous and kindly gentlemen in the army. He was born at Smithfield, Somerset county, Pa., on July 4, 1839, so that his lease of the position will expire on the glorious Fourth of 1903. In October, 1861, he received the appointment of captain and assistant quartermaster of volunteers. In August, 1864, he, then a major, was chief quartermaster of the Second army corps, and a few months later attained the grade of colonel, and was detailed chief quartermaster of the Department of Washington. His duties were arduous and responsible, and were at all times performed with fidelity and energy. He was present in many engagements, including the Chancellorsville and Gettysburg campaigns, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania Court House and campaign in front of Petersburg. He held the position of chief quartermaster, Department of Washington, until July, 1867, having in the meantime, January 18, 1867, been appointed major and quartermaster in the regular establishment. In October, 1867, he was assigned to duty at Santa Fe, and from that time forward has held important positions as chief and depot quartermaster, in every section of the country, his last position, which he now relinquishes, being chief quartermaster of the Department of the East. He holds four brevets, major, lieutenant colonel, colonel and brigadier general, for his services during the war.

"The important and onerous duties which he now goes to Washington to enter upon are by no means unknown to him, for he was on duty in the quartermaster general's office from 1870 to 1875, again for a few months in 1883 and again as principal assistant from July, 1890, to December, 1894. The appointment is a most excellent one in every respect, and we beg to offer our hearty congratulations."

Most successful Chinese physician in America, Dr. Gee Loy, cor. 13th and Douglas.

RECEPTION GIVEN TO DRUMMERS.

Traveling Men Entertained at the Commercial Club.

Last night the Commercial club was the scene of an enjoyable reception given by the Traveling Men's Transmississippi club. More than fifty traveling men, together with their wives and sweethearts, were present to hear the speech of welcome tendered to them by President Baum of the Commercial club. He bestowed high praise upon the traveling men and emphasized the important part they play in the success or failure of the wholesaler.

Mr. Streeter, president of the Traveling Men's Transmississippi club, responded. O. C. Holmes, secretary of the Manufacturers' association, made a short address and introduced J. F. Hummel of Grand Island, a traveling man, whom Mr. Holmes recommended as a man who could make a speech. Mr. Hummel's subject was "A Drummer's Grip," and he treated it in an effective manner.

After the speaking, the evening was given over to dancing and card playing, and the visiting members left with only words of praise for the pleasant time afforded them by the Omaha travelers.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Minute Cough Cure cures coughs, colds, croup grippe and all throat and lung troubles.

For Whipping a Watchman.

Dennis Healey was arraigned in police court yesterday on a charge of assault and battery preferred by Pat Roach, a watchman for the Missouri Pacific. Roach testified that one evening last week he warned a crowd of small boys to keep off of some freight cars which were being shifted from one portion of the yard to the other. A small brother of Healey's refused to comply and Roach was obliged to pull him from a car and escort him by the ear to the limits of the yard. At this juncture the older brother appeared on the scene and without asking any questions knocked the watchman down and kicked him in the face. Healey is a brawny young blacksmith and the face of his adversary after he had finished looked like an underdone hamburger steak. After hearing the evidence in the case Judge Gordon fined Healey $15 and costs.

Fines Mrs. Wirth.

Mrs. Minnie Wirth, proprietress of a beer garden at Tenth and Harney streets, who was arrested for selling liquor to a minor, was fined $25 and costs in Judge Gordon's court yesterday. The complainant in the case was Mrs. Arthur Campbell, sister of Charles A. Antill, to whom it is alleged the intoxicants were sold. Antill visited the garden December 12, and while drinking beer at a table, accidentally dropped a silver dollar upon the floor. Before he could regain it a stranger sitting at the same table picked it up and tried to escape. Trouble followed, and Antill was arrested and fined $5 and costs for his part in the affair. The case has been appealed by Mrs. Wirth.

Bishop Millspaugh in Town.

Bishop Frank Millspaugh, Episcopal bishop of Kansas, is in the city, and will preach at Trinity cathedral both morning and evening. At 4 o'clock this afternoon the bishop will preach at the Church of St. Philip the Deacon. Tomorrow evening Bishop and Mrs. Millspaugh will be tendered a reception at the Gardner Memorial parish house. The affair will be in charge of the dean and the vestry of Trinity cathedral. The hour will be from 8 to 9.

Switchman Loses a Leg.

L. L. Hassett, a switchman employed by the Union Pacific company in the Union depot yards, was knocked down by a flying car and very seriously injured. The wheels passed over his left leg, crushing the bone and leaving the member hanging to the trunk by mere shreds of flesh. He was picked up by his comrades and taken in the company's ambulance to St. Joseph's hospital. It was found necessary to amputate the injured member. Hassett will survive.

County Commissioners.

The meeting of the county commissioners called for yesterday has been postponed until February 28, at which time the committee will report upon the proposition of turning an additional $25,000 of the proceeds of the exposition bonds over to the exposition association. A resolution looking to this end was introduced at the last meeting of the board and was referred. It is understood that most of the commissioners favor the proposition.

Hackman Carter Released.

Lot Carter, the hackman who was accused a few nights ago of robbing a farmer from Avoca, Ia., named James Myers, has been discharged from custody, as there is nothing to show that any such act had been committed. In the evidence adduced it was demonstrated that Myers had possessed but $20 instead of $45 as he had asserted, and it was further shown where he had spent the greater portion of it in dissipation.

FRENCH IS IN A CELL NOW

Held to Answer to Two Very Serious Charges.

SEQUEL TO A SPREE IN DECEMBER

Raised the Money by Cashing Drafts Which Eventually Prove to Be Worthless and is Now Caught.

D. E. French was arrested last night on a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. It is possible that a charge of forgery may be lodged against him. French claims to be an agent for a certain nursery firm of Fremont, Neb., of which B. E. Fields is treasurer. Last December French came to Omaha and after picking up some congenial companions started in to round up the town. He had a little money and th's amount was quickly dissipated. He thereupon signed a sight draft upon the firm which he pretended to represent, on a form which he asserted had been made out by the treasurer of the company. The draft, which was for $15, was cashed by W. F. Garrity, a saloon keeper at Ninth and Capitol avenue. In due course of time the draft came back from Fremont protested. French, however, had disappeared. Previous to leaving the city, however, French cashed another draft for a similar amount with Nick Yager, a restaurant keeper at Twelfth and Farnam streets. This draft was also dishonored. An endeavor was made by the local police to locate French at that time, but it failed. Yesterday Garrity chanced to see him in a store and he hurried to police headquarters and had the necessary papers issued for his arrest.

French, when arraigned, pleaded not guilty to the charge preferred and a hearing in the case was set for Monday at 2 o'clock. The prisoner asserts that the matter will be made right within a few days and that he had issued the drafts while under the influence of liquor, when he was not responsible for his actions. He was unable to secure bond and was locked up to await further hearing.

Mystic flour, sold everywhere; suits all.

MICHAEL MULLEN'S PLACE PULLED.

Wholesale Raid Made by Police and Many Arrested.

A wholesale raid was made on the resort of Michael Mullen, Sixteenth and Davenport streets, last night and twenty-three people were arrested, thirteen of them being women. The arrest was made under orders from the chief of police, who considered that the place was being run contrary to the order of the Board of Fire and Police commissioners. The proprietor was charged with selling liquor without a license and with running a disorderly house, and his bonds were fixed at $500. The others were charged with being inmates of a disorderly house. Mullen said he had opened his garden yesterday afternoon, but had sold no liquor or in any other way disobeyed the order of the board. There was no program except music and he said that no disorderly conduct had been allowed in the place.

Cleaning the Sidewalks.

The snow that thawed this forenoon made the crosswalks once more nearly impassable and the Board of Public Works has a small gang of men at work clearing off the crossings in the down town district. This is all the relief that the council appropriation will admit, but the board is making arrangements for a thorough cleaning up as soon as the frost is out of the ground.

OPENS BLACKFEET RESERVATION.

It is All Mineral Land and a Great Rush is Expected.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 19.—A special from Kalispel, Mont., says it is announced from Washington that the ceded portion of the Blackfeet reservation along the eastern slope of the Rockies will be opened for occupation and exploration under the provisions of the mining laws of the United States about February 25.

This was formerly the largest Indian reservation in the country. By a recent order of President McKinley the portion of the ceded strip that was in the Helena land district has been transferred to the public domain, and all applications for patent must be filed at the newly established Kalispel agency.

It has been determined by the commissioner of the general land office that provisions of the act will be strictly followed and simply filing of approved plan of survey in the Kalispel land office will determine the date of the opening of the reservation. There will be no public notice given in advance of date of the opening.

It is well understood that there is a valuable mineral belt in this ceded strip and a good sized Klondike rush in that section may be expected. Rich copper, silver and gold prospects have been noticed for some time, and the only reason that miners have not gone in before this was on account of government restrictions.

This range is the same on which Helena, the state capital, and a famous gold camp, is located, and also Butte, the greatest copper camp in the world.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Bert Ford of Chicago is at the Mercer.

Loyd Scruggs of St. Louis is at the Millard.

O. Reynolds of Terre Haute is a Mercer guest.

E. C. Mex of New York is stopping at the Millard.

J. T. Adams of Dubuque is registered at the Millard.

W. H. Babcock left last night on a short western trip.

George W. Hall of Ord, Neb., is registered at the Mercer.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Watson of St. Louis is at the Millard.

J. C. Van De Water of New York is registered at the Millard.

M. C. Keith a cattle raiser of North Platte is stopping at a local hotel.

G. Hogerson, a cattleman of Buffalo, Wyo., arrived in Omaha yesterday.

J. W. King, a railroad man of St. Louis, is in the city on a visit with friends.

L. Welsh and John Gilligan of New York are traveling men stopping at the Barker.

Charles M. Talcott of the Pullman company is spending a few weeks in Tampa, Fla.

H. M. Boydston, a prominent resident of Nebraska City, is registered at the Millard.

Bert Brown and William M. Jennings of Chicago are spending Sunday at the Barker.

Judge Howard of Papillion spent yesterday in the city and left last night for Des Moines.

H. Willard and wife of Nashville, Tenn., have taken permanent quarters at the Barker.

L. A. Bell of Chicago, general western agent of the Plant Railway and Hotel system, is at the Millard.

Mrs. Ingram, J. J. Sherlock and J. P. Johnson of Kearney are in the city on a short visit with friends.

The Carzello Sisters, vaudevilles at the Creighton theater this week, are making their headquarters at the Barker.

Thomas H. Thorpe, traveling passenger agent for the Pennsylvania Central, with headquarters in Chicago, is at the Millard.

Nebraskans at the hotels: C. O. Murphy, Wood Lake; A. F. Lamb, Rockford; B. H. Vincent, Stuart; J. P. Gibbon, Kearney; W. E. Norton, Gresham; George P. Garrison, Chadron; W. M. Butler, Weeping Water; Charles A. Crab, Lincoln; Mrs. Ingram, Kearney; H. M. Boydston, Nebraska City; Mrs. G. Wilmott, Gothenberg; W. G. Gregg, Nebraska City; H. T. Ward, Tecumseh; A. B. Noble, Hamburg.

DIED.

ROUNDS—Elizabeth Cordelia, aged 23 years, daughter of J. J. Rounds, 4335 Franklin street, February 19, 1898. Funeral notice later.

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Scott's Emulsion	67c
Pinaud's Eau de Quinine	28c and 56c
Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets	29c
Pyramid Pile Cure	29c
Birney & Gem Catarrh Powder	35c
Duffy Malt Whiskey	89c
Warner's Safe Cure	89c
Hood's Sarsaparilla	64c
William's Pink Pills	35c
Malthine Preparations	75c
Camele Juniper	$1.00
Pierce's Favorite Prescription	62c
Peruna	75c
S. S. S.	79c
Hostetter's Bitters	75c
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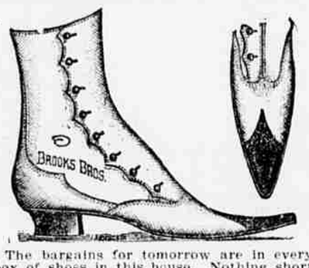

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