

THE TOPICS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells drugs. Stockert sells carpets and rugs. Metz beer at Neumayer's hotel.

GOES TO JAIL FOR HER SON

Mrs. Emma Edwards Surrenders Owa Liberty to Free Boy.

TRANSFERS BAIL BOND FOR HIS SAK

Sixteen-Year-Old Lad Resumes His Duties as Head of Family, Supporting Five Younger Children.

A mother's devotion to her offspring was pathetically demonstrated yesterday, when Mrs. Emma Edwards voluntarily went to jail in order that her 16-year-old son Kirk might be able to obtain the bail which she had secured and thus obtain his release from custody.

Young Edwards was arrested Wednesday by Deputy Sheriff Baker and Canning for alleged contempt of court in connection with the attempt of his mother to retake forcible possession of the farm from which she was evicted under decree of the district court. The lad was arraigned before Judge Macy in the district court yesterday morning along with four others arrested in connection with the same case.

Ever since the death of his father a few months ago, young Kirk, although but 16 years of age, had acted as the head of the family, consisting of his mother and five younger children. When the trouble ensued over the farm and the family was evicted, John held the children and the mother and was one of the party which succeeded in driving Caretaker Neely off the premises. For this he was arrested.

He had the courage to shoulder a gun and resist the process of law, but when he realized that he was to be shut up behind the bars in the county jail along with a number of other prisoners, his fortitude forsook him and tears flowed down his cheeks. He asked his mother not to forsake him and she, with a mother's love, at once set about trying to secure bail for her son. This arrangement was effected, but rather than leave him in jail she decided to go there herself by making arrangements whereby the bond which she had furnished for her appearance at the January term of court should do service for him in place of her.

This arrangement was effected, and the mother went into the jail, while her boy returned to look after and care for his five little brothers and sisters. It is expected that friends will come to the assistance of Mrs. Edwards and secure her release from the jail today.

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At the same time as Mrs. Edwards, in jail in the county jail, his friends having failed to secure a bond for him.

Fred Foot was brought in from Crescent last night and is in the county jail. He is charged with being impleaded in Mrs. Edwards' attempt to retake possession of the farm.

Davis sells paint.

WORKS OVERSEER OF POOR

Woman Forces a Single Letter and Thus Secures Transportation for Family.

George T. Miller, overseer of the poor, died yesterday, after he had been nearly a week confined by pneumonia. He was assisted by securing her transportation to St. Louis. The woman, with two children, recently came to Council Bluffs, a relative having promised to care for the child in the relative for a short time and then turned them over to the overseer. The woman not being a resident of the county was not entitled to relief, but as she said she had friends in St. Louis, the overseer, in order to get her out of the county, issued her a ticket to that city.

He gave a sealed order on a local ticket office for her ticket to St. Louis, but when he went yesterday to pay for it he was surprised to be presented with a bill for three tickets.

"Why, how is this?" asked Mr. Miller of the agent. "My order only called for a ticket."

The order was produced and it was discovered that the woman had opened the envelope and added the letter "a" after the word ticket, making it read "tickets." The agent said he called the woman's attention to the fact that the "a" was written in different colored pencil from the rest of the order and she explained it by saying that the overseer on her calling his attention to the fact that the order only called for a ticket had made the alteration himself. As the woman was accompanied by her two children, the agent supposed it was intended that they were all to go together to St. Louis and accordingly issued three tickets.

Davis sells gins.

TO COMPEL LINDER TO BUY

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Linder was ordered to put up the purchase price of \$25,000 on receipt of a deed of the property from T. G. Turner, guardian, and John Galvin, administrator, of the John Short estate.

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Jury at Yankton Agrees in McElwain Case After Being Out Four Hours.

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LEAGUERS ARE AT HAMPTON

Iowa State Convention Opens There to Continue Three Days—Deaconsesses Are Topic.

HAMPTON, Ia., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—The Epworth league state convention opened a three day session today in this city. Mayor B. H. Mallory delivering the address of welcome, which was responded to by State President Fred L. Montgomery of Fayette.

The State Board of Health this afternoon took up the interesting case of the smallpox epidemic on the Indian reservation in Tama county. Reports that the epidemic is about as bad as it could possibly be. Indian Agent Mallory reports that he went on the reservation and made a tour of the wigwags in company with Dr. Koras of Tama, Dr. White of Montour and Dr. Thompson of Toledo and although no deaths were reported the last few days they found sixteen new cases since the last visit. The total number of known cases has been above fifty and probably nearer 100.

KILLED BY THE FLOCKMASTER

Bob Ramsey, Shepherd, Dies After Provoking Quarrel and Gun Play.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—Bob Ramsey, the shepherd shot and killed Monday night by Jim Field, flockmaster. The killing appears to have been in self-defense.

Ramsey had been working for Field at the latter's ranch south of town. Monday they came to Sheridan to get some medicine and supplies for Field's family, who were quarantined with smallpox. Ramsey asked for a settlement of wages due him and there was some discussion over the matter. Ramsey claiming more money than Field said was coming to him. The matter was finally settled in an amicable manner, however, and Ramsey started out to take the train. He is said to have filled up on whisky and, meeting Field later that night, started a quarrel. Field endeavored to take the drunken man back to the ranch and pacify him, but Ramsey would not listen and, drawing his gun, fired several shots at Field. His aim was bad and Field drew his gun and dropped his man with the first shot.

Field rode to the ranch with the medicine and returned and gave himself up. The shooting was not witnessed and it was not known that a man had been killed until Field gave himself up yesterday morning.

Jim Field came to Sheridan from the Panhandle country in Texas and, while he is noted as a crack shot and range rider, he has never been known to quarrel with anyone. Ramsey was not a quarrelsome man when not drinking and, so far as known, the men had never had any trouble previous to last Monday. The dead man came from South Dakota and has no relatives in this county.

BARMAN MUST PAY WIDOW

Mrs. Garrigan Gets Verdict Under South Dakota Law Forbidding Sale to Drunkards.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Nov. 21.—(Special Telegram.)—A jury in the state circuit court today awarded Mrs. Mary Garrigan of this city a verdict for \$1,500 damages against Samuel Kennedy, Dell Rapids saloon keeper. The plaintiff's husband committed suicide after excessive drinking.

This is the first case brought under that section of the new state license law prohibiting the sale of liquor to habitual drunkards. Mrs. Garrigan has similar cases pending against two other Dell Rapids saloon keepers.

MAY ADMIT ONLY IMMUNES

Yankton County Board of Health Says Schools' Students Must Be Vaccinated.

YANKTON, S. D., Nov. 21.—(Special.)—The Yankton county Board of Health has ordered that after January 1 no student be admitted to any school or college within the county without a physician's certificate of successful vaccination or immunity from smallpox. This order is made necessary, says the board, by the imminent danger of an epidemic of smallpox.

THOUSANDS OF LETTERS BURN

Uncle Sam's Mail Pouches Included in the Loss of the Santa Fe Week Wednesday.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 21.—In the disastrous wreck that occurred yesterday on the Santa Fe near the Needles the entire mail carried by both trains was burned. At least 30,000 letters and many other articles for the east were destroyed. No registered mail was lost, none being carried on the limited trains.

Of the thirteen victims of the disaster taken to the hospital