

Shaeffer and Mr. Hicks made up their minds that they would not leave him there. He was finally taken on board a steamer and the party was off for home. The second day out a storm arose. The boy was raving from fever and continued so for days. Upon their arrival at Galveston they were kept two days in quarantine on his account. He is feeling much better now and unless the sudden change of climate affects him is expected to pull through all right.

Mr. Shaeffer and Mr. Hicks are both looking bronzed and weather beaten. Mr. Shaeffer is thin and fragile-looking from the fever from which he was ill. He speaks highly of the country and says he intends to return there as soon as possible. He thinks it offers magnificent advantages for the rapid accumulation of wealth in steamboating or coffee raising. He spoke of meeting Will Mansfield, formerly a Burlington engineer in this city. Mansfield has a coffee plantation which bids fair to make him a coffee king in a few years.

The gentlemen report that the trip cost them about \$300 each. They say that plenty of gold may be found in South America, but the method of mining is so crude that it cannot be handled to advantage.

Miss Wing is in Kearney.
D. G. Wing spent Sunday at Crete.
Miss Mae Burr is visiting in Omaha.
Mrs. John Dorgan has gone to Denver.

Tom Wing was a Beatrice visitor this week.

Dr. Giffin has returned from Natre Dame, Ind.

J. R. Lemist of Denver was in the city this week.

Prof. T. L. Lyon drove down to Crete Thursday.

Capt. R. O. Phillips left Thursday for Holyoke, Cal.

Mrs. D. A. Campbell and Miss Maud Oakey have gone to Denver.

Mr. Harwood and Judge Cornish returned from Chicago Monday.

Today is woman's club day at Crete. Members are requested to wear the club colors.

Mrs. Frank A. Graham, Mrs. Boynton and Mrs. H. A. Tibbetts spent Sunday in Crete.

F. W. Collins, G. M. Lambertson and C. H. Gere spoke at the Table Rock Chautauqua assembly this week.

Miss Olive Latta spent a couple of days at the Crete Chautauqua assembly, the guest of Miss Harris.

Mrs. Dr. Stiguer and children have gone to St. Joe and Excelsior Springs, where they will remain six weeks.

News of the death of Henry Hotchkiss in Cartagena, Columbia, June 24, was received in this city Thursday. He died of fever.

Mrs. Newman and Miss Angie Newman went to Omaha Thursday to attend the funeral of Mr. Poland, Mrs. John M. Thurston's father.

Mrs. Clinton R. Lee left Wednesday for Houston, Texas. She will spend the summer with her friends, Dr. and Mrs. H. S. Jones, at Galveston beach.

The last issue of the American Naturalist contains a leading article one of the classification of diatoms by C. J. Elmore of the state university.

Prof. R. B. Owens, who is spending the summer in Chicago, passed through Lincoln Thursday en route to Hastings. He will return today for a few hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutton, Mr. and Mrs. Branch, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hargreaves, Henry Zehring and W. Q. Bell were among the Crete visitors Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brad Slaughter and Miss Alice Slaughter have established themselves at Lake Okibogi. Mr. Slaughter will return in a few days and make flying trips to the lake during the summer.

Mrs. L. C. Burr gave a delightful trolley party for Mrs. Frank L. Sheldon last Saturday night. After the ride the guests gathered at the Burr mansion. Mrs. Sheldon is at present in Omaha, the guest of Mrs. W. B. Sterling.

Professors Lees, Dann and Brace have started on a bicycle trip to Wyoming. Professor Bruner will join the party at Sidney. The party will proceed to Laramie, Wyo., from which point they will seek a location for camping.

A letter received from DeAlton Saunders, science teacher in the high school, reports that he captured a seal on the coast of Washington and will ship its skin here. He says that the hard times have at last struck California and it has made even the summer girl a scarce article.

The color question is agitating some of the Lincoln people who are sojourning at Crete. It seems that the Slayton jubilee singers, colored, are estimable people, and they have received considerable attention from the white people. Some of the young ladies have shown consideration to the young colored men and women, and the Chautauquans have gossiped about it.

R. J. Green, of this city who was a candidate for chairman in the last state campaign, is also a candidate this time.

A STREET SCENE.

The lengthening shadows cast by the receding sun had given away to the soft twilight. The hum of industry had ceased. The big doors of the stores were locked. The clerks, resplendent in summer finery, were parading gaily by, casting disdainful glances on their day-prisons. O street was crowded with subdued but happy people. Relaxation was written of the faces of the moving throng.

In front of Frank DuTeil's four or five young men were lazily grouped, discussing baseball news, or mayhap, spinning harmless yarns. At Ninth and O streets a gay party of men and women were waiting the arrival of the car to start for an evening's frolic at Burlington beach.

Seven persons were kneeling in the street in front of the First National bank, at Tenth and O. One of the seven, a man, was praying. The others were listening with eyes closed. Four were women. Each held some musical instrument, for the moment in disuse. The women wore dark blue waists and skirts and blue bonnets. The men wore blue uniforms. The leader, the one who was praying, had some gold stripes on his coat. The Salvation Army was going through its nightly open-air devotions.

On the sidewalk from seventy-five to one hundred people stood idly contemplating the little group of kneeling, praying salvationists. They chatted softly, and now and then some street urchin would send up a mocking laugh. But the voice of the praying man rang loud and clear above the noise of the street.

Standing on the corner, a little space from the crowd, were two men who were listening intently to the voice of prayer. They took in every word. They were, in fact, about the only persons within sound of the exhorter's voice who were giving serious heed to his words.

"Oh, Lord," came in fervent ecstasy from the street samaritan, "have mercy on these poor sinners. They ain't doing right, and we ask Thee to take them to Thy bosom. Oh, Lord, we pray Thee, bring down Thy blessings on every person who hears these words.

The two men were visibly affected. One of them involuntarily uncovered his head. Then, seeing that he was regarded by some of the curious among the crowd, he grabbed his handkerchief and mopped his brow as if he had removed his hat for that purpose. The other continued to listen intently. In a few minutes both passed on down the street. One, the one who uncovered his head, was L. W. Billingsley. The other was a brother attorney. Just a simple, street scene.

HOBART AND NEBRASKA.

Garret A. Hobart the republican nominee for vice president, is interested in Nebraska.

Mr. Hobart has a considerable sum of money invested in Nebraska farm mortgages.

"Some time ago I received a letter from Mr. Hobart asking me to look up a number of pieces of farm property in this state on which he held mortgages," said Louis Helmer, of Valparaiso, formerly of Lincoln, to a Courier representative the other day. "I had had no acquaintance with Mr. Hobart. Somebody recommended me to him. There were a good many farms to examine and I had a running correspondence with him. I found him to be a fine business man, and was agreeably surprised when I saw that he was mentioned for the nomination for vice president some weeks ago. He wrote me that he had no desire to push the people whose mortgages he held, that all he wanted was to see that the property was all right and that the interest was paid as promptly as possible. I found all the property in first class shape. Nebraska farmers would have fared much better than they have in the last three years if they had had more creditors like Mr. Hobart."

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