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COUNCIL BLUFFS.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

Railway Changes.

Correspondence of the BEE.

MISSOURI VALLEY, December 4.—C. M. Lawler, general superintendent, issues a circular announcing the appointment of W. G. Brownson as superintendent of transportation of the Sioux City & Pacific railway, with headquarters at Norfolk, Nebraska. Mr. Brownson was formerly assistant superintendent of the Iowa division of the Northwestern.

I. B. Potter is appointed chief train dispatcher of the Iowa division of the Sioux City & Pacific railroad.

The city council having granted the Sioux City & Pacific railway the right of way through Fourth and Sixth streets, track will soon be laid and a steam shovel set to work cutting streets through the hills. FAY.

MATTERS AT MALVERN.

Correspondence of THE BEE.

MALVERN, Iowa, December 3.—A new flour mill is the next good scheme to be materialized.

W. F. Swan and son spent Sunday with W. D. Evans.

G. T. Donner has purchased the property known as French's livery stable, including the entire contents.

W. P. Adams, of Fulton, Ill., visited a few days with his cousin, Fred Schmidt, the first of the week.

On Friday last Mr. Irving Skadan was thrown from his buggy, and in alighting his shin-bone was broken in two places. The patient is doing well.

'Tis not without cause that John Barton now warbles, "Oh, hush thee, my babe." Mother and daughter are doing well.

Rev. Father Ryan, of Shenandoah, was in town Tuesday, making arrangements for the fair to be held here on the evenings of Wednesday and Tuesday next, in behalf of the Catholic church of this place.

A goodly number availed themselves of the opportunity of eating pancakes and wearing neck-ties at the pancake and neck-tie festival Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Ferguson spent the first of the week with Rev. McAfee and wife.

The entertainment given by the school children on Thursday night was a success both financially and socially.

At a meeting of the Malvern Dramatic association the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Manager, W. H. Dearing; treasurer, Bert Darling; secretary, J. H. Bently; directors, Miss Emma Brown, Miss Flora Brothers, Dr. Dearing; stage manager, Henry Baird.

For the first time in a number of years efforts were made to give a select social party at this place Friday evening. Though the difficulties to be overcome were not a few, yet the most sanguine expectations were more than realized. Music was furnished by Glenn's orchestra, and an enjoyable time was reported by all who attended, numbering thirty couples or more.

For the benefit of the few who make it a rule to frown on the innocent pleasures of this life, and who have been busily engaged in spreading the report that the harmony of the occasion was marred by what they were pleased to term a "row," let it be stated that the same is without foundation, as are all other malicious reports which are manufactured for the purpose of affecting public opinion.

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Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record in the recorder's office, December 4, reported for the BEE by P. J. McMahon, real estate agent:

C., R. J. & P. R. R. Co. to T. S Campbell, sw¼, of nw¼, 29, 77, 38; $400.

S. N. Hopkins to J. B. Harrell, part nw¼, of nw¼, 29, 94, 39; $10.

J. B. Harrell to Wm. H. Foglesong, part sw½, of nw¼, 27, 74, 38; $500.

T. E. Pershall to J. B. Harrell, part nw¼, of sw¼, 29, 74, 39; $10.

Hoyt Sherman Rec'r to J. N. Arnold, lot 2, block 21, Avoca; $300.

Pottawattamie Co., to O. H. Dutrow, sw¼, of nw¼, 23, 96, 44; $250.

H. H. Oberholtzer to Conrad Lanzendorfer, lots 6 to 17 inclusive, block 59, railroad add; $300.

J. H. M. Millen to Joseph McCoid, nw¼, of se¼, 12, 96, 44; $1,400.

Frank Stewart to L. M. Arnold, part nw¼, of nw¼, 26, 75, 40; $25.

J. B. McCallas to Robert J. Edmonds, part se¼, of se¼, 29, 74, 39; $40.

Maria Mynster to Coral Fleming, et al, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 11, Mynster's add, $650.

Augustus Cox to Henry Graves, ne¼, 9, 75, 39; $4,875.

J. H. Arnold to S. E. Grothy, lot 2, block 21, Avoka; $300.

F. H. Hancock to C. A. Harman, lot 12, block 1, Hancock, $100.

S. A. Porterfield to James T. Lyons, nw¼, of nw¼, 17, 76, 44; $50.

Total Sales $9,210.

Transfers for Dec. 5.

Lewis Hammer to C. T. Moxley, part lot 5, block 17, Bayliss' 1st addition; $800.

W. S. Williams to W. A. Henry, lot 8, block 2, Hancock; $150.

Benedict Hagg to N. W. Williams, lot 1, block 1, Enbank's 1st addition; $950.

C. Miller to G. Elsabush, n½ se¼, 17, 76, 41; $2,130.

Margaret Stoker to Wm. Heilsman, part 15, 75, 43; $2,130.

Total sales, $8,958 80.

COMMERCIAL.

COUNCIL BLUFFS MARKET.

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

Corn—Dealers are paying 32c for old corn and 25c for new.

Oats—In good demand at 20c

Hay—[illegible] per ton; 50c per bale.

Rye—40c; light supply.

Corn Meal—1 25 per 100 pounds.

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

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

Butter—Plenty and in fair demand at 25c; creamery, 35c.

Eggs—Ready sale at 20c per dozen.

Lard—Fairbank's, wholesaling at 11c.

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

Vegetables—Potatoes, 50c; onions, 40c; cabbages, 30@40c per dozen; apples, 3 00@3 50 per barrel

Flour—City flour, 1 60@3 40.

Brooms—2 00@3 00 per doz.

LIVE STOCK.

Cattle—3 00@3 50; calves, 5 00@7 50.

Hogs—Local packers have commenced buying now and there is a good demand for all grades at 4 00@4 25.

IOWA ITEMS.

Diphtheria is increasing in Davenport.

Muscatine street cars are warmed by stoves.

Albia has invested $4,000 in a fire engine.

The taxable valuation of Worth county is $1,682,705.

An Ida county township reports blackleg among the cattle.

Madison county farmers will hold monthly sales of stock.

A contract for an opera house has been signed in Storm Lake.

Active prospecting for coal will soon be commenced near Iowa Falls.

A daily hack line has been established between Ida Grove and Holstein.

Des Moines, it is reported, has twenty-one daily and weekly newspapers.

It is expected that coal will be reached in the Peterson shaft in three weeks.

The Patriot predicts a population for Peterson of not less than 5,000 in five years.

Two dealers have shipped $90,000 worth of horses out of Johnson county during the year.

Ira Brasheres, postmaster at Sanborn, preached the first sermon ever heard in Sheldon. So the Mail says.

It is rumored that the big flouring mill at Sheldon is soon to be started up again, with the roller process added.

The Marshall Times-Republican says, "the past month there has been a continued round of beastly and unheard of crime."

One Fuller, of Traer, got a divorce the other day, and in ten minutes he had a license to marry "his so-called adopted daughter."

The Keokuk Canning company has concluded its season's work, amounting to 480,000 cans of tomatoes, pumpkin and squash.

The Western Iowa Horticultural society will hold its annual meeting at Malvern on the 12th, 13th and 14th days of this month.

There have been thirty-six convictions in the United States district court at Dubuque this term, including violations of the internal revenue.

It is reported that a heavy vein of coal was discovered in the Mosquito valley at Portsmouth, in Shelby county, a few days ago, at the depth of ninety feet.

The tenth annual meeting of the Iowa State Stock Breeders' association will be held in the opera house at Ames, beginning Tuesday evening, December 11.

Two Woodbine girls, skating, broke through the ice where the water was waist deep. It was the sweet fortune of a young man to be near at hand and their rescuer.

Taylor county will vote, December 17, on a proposition to issue bonds to the amount of $65,000 for the purpose of erecting a court house at Bedford, the county seat.

The search for the drowned men at Dubuque still continues. Mrs. Jenkel, who lost her husband and two sons, offers a reward of $100 for the recovery of each of their bodies.

N. C. Ridenour, editor of the Page County Democrat, has sued the town of Clarinda for $6,000 damages caused by his fall last winter, in which his ankle was broken.

Hon. J. B. Grinnell in talking to a reporter said of his town: In Grinnell there has not been one person sent to jail, to the poorhouse, or to the penitentiary in twenty-five years.

A family named Sherry, living near Webster City, have lost three children by diphtheria and have four more ill with the disease. The local paper says the house is in a bad condition, which makes death almost certain.

Public sentiment was so strong in Des Moines that the gas company wisely withdrew their application for a fifteen year renewal of their charter. They will wait till the storm subsides and smoother seas prevail.

Justus Stocking, of Cromwell, Conn., in his suit in the United States court at Dubuque to recover judgment on bonds issued by the city of Dubuque in aid of the Dubuque & Southwestern railroad, was awarded a verdict of $26,000.

Sioux Rapids Press: Sioux Rapids people are not greatly to be blamed for abstaining from water drinking. It's nasty, discolored and altogether repulsive. The vast beds of coal with which this section is underlaid causes the water in some wells to look more like ink than anything else.

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