NEWS OF INTEREST FROM IOWA.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

MINOR MENTION.

Davis sells glass.

Fine A. B. C. beer, Neumayer's hotel.

Welsbach burners at Bixby's. Tel. 193.

Budweiser beer. L. Rosenfeldt, agent.

Gravel roofing. A. H. Read, 541 B'way.

Will Countryman of Hamburg, Ia., is in the city visiting friends.

Dr. W. A. Gervais, osteopath, 304 Merriam block, Council Bluffs.

The place to have your framing done, Alexander's Art emporium.

Get your work done at the popular Eagle laundry, 724 Broadway. 'Phone 157.

W. C. Estep, undertaker, 28 Pearl street. Telephones: Office, 97; residence, 33.

Sheridan coal makes a large flame and clear fire but no smoke, soot or clinkers. Fenton & Foley, sole agents.

Miss Myrtle I. Faul goes to Logan to sing at the dedication of the new Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning.

Miss Benedict, who has been visiting friends in Logan, was in the city yesterday on her way to her home in Helena, Mont.

U. S. Grant company, No. 44, Uniform Rank, Knights of Pythias, will meet tonight, when all members are urged to be present.

A Christmas dinner will be served to the poor children of the city today at the Union mission on First avenue and Sixteenth street, at noon.

Miss Grace Sigafoos has returned from Hamburg, Ia., and is accompanied by the Misses Fannie Rodda and Grace Cooley, who will visit here with her.

A marriage license was issued yesterday to C. Simon Peterson, aged 54, and Ella Reese, aged 47, both of this city.

J. W. Watson of the Bouricius Music house will go to Pipestone, Minn., Monday to superintend the presentation of a sacred operetta, entitled, "Queen Esther."

Mrs. C. R. Nicholson, who has been sick at her home on South First street for ten weeks, is slowly improving, and her friends think it is only a question of time when she will be out again.

There will be a special conclave this evening of Ivanhoe commandery, Knights Templar, and all members are requested to be present, as there will be business of importance come up for action.

John Brewick, an employe of the Rock Island Railway company, was before Justice Vien yesterday on a charge of assault and battery preferred against him by Peter Larsen. The assault is alleged to have occurred Christmas eve.

David J. Pollock, a laborer of Lorimer, Ia., filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy yesterday in the United States district court here. His unsecured liabilities amount to $2,126, and his assets aggregate $420, all of which he claims as exempt.

Treasurer Davis of the independent school district of Council Bluffs remitted yesterday to New York the first semi-annual installment of interest on the $67,000 High school bonds. The interest on these bonds is 4 per cent and the installment remitted amounted to $1,340.

Mrs. Pauline Katzenstein, wife of S. Katzenstein of Garner township, died yesterday morning at St. Bernard's hospital of tuberculosis, after an illness of four months, aged 63 years. She was taken to the hospital about two weeks ago. Notice of funeral will be given later.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCrary of Fourth street have returned from their visit to Kansas City, when on Christmas day a family reunion was held at the home of their son, W. C. McCrary. It was so arranged that all the children met with their parents and a number of the grandchildren were also present.

Beulah, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanford Robinson, died yesterday morning at the family home in Weston. The funeral will be held this morning at 10 o'clock from the residence and interment will be in the Downsville cemetery. Rev. Hanson of the Latter Day Saints' church will conduct the services.

Albert Woods, an employe in Estep's undertaking establishment, was badly burned about the face and head yesterday. He was putting a bundle of shavings and other sweepings into the furnace when the flames shot out. He was in a kneeling position at the time and the flames struck him full in the face. His moustache and eyebrows were burned off and his hair badly singed. He fortunately closed his eyes and thus saved them. He will be confined to the house for several days

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Tel. 250.

Bankruptcy Case Settled.

The bankruptcy case of Grantz & Gloe, the Walnut, Ia., firm which has occupied the attention of the federal court and state courts in this district ever since November of last year, when the first was first declared insolvent, was finally disposed of yesterday. At a meeting of the firm's creditors, held in the office of W. S. Mayne, referee in bankruptcy for this district, the assets were partitioned, it being found that there was sufficient to pay the preferred creditors in full and the others a dividend of 12 per cent. W. E. Haverstock, the trustee appointed by the creditors, was ordered so to dispose of the funds in his hands. The preferred creditors receive $2,066.43 as follows: Deer Harvester company (by order of Judge Shiras), $1,336.20; treasurer Pottawattamie county (taxes), $72.09; J. F. Romma, services for trustee, $38.78; W. E. Haverstock, trustee (expenses), $1.30; petitioning creditors, fee for commencing action, $25; Flickinger Bros. (attorney fees), $193.26; J. H. Griffith (rent), $225; W. S. Mayne, referee, $49.70; W. E. Haverstock, trustee (commissions), $125.10.

The claims of the general creditors, of whom there are twenty-five, aggregated $12,027.14, and they will receive $1,445.56. The largest claim in this list is that of the German bank of Walnut. It was in the matter of the bankruptcy of this firm that the question of the relative jurisdiction of the federal and state courts arose.

Lost—Between Beno's store and Frank Peterson's grocery, purse containing $35 or $40 in bills. Reward of $5 if returned to Bee office, Council Bluffs.

Christmas Entertainment.

The Grand Army of the Republic hall, on Pearl street, was packed to the doors last night with a happy throng of children, old soldiers and their families, the occasion being the annual Christmas entertainment provided by the generosity of General G. M. Dodge for the veterans and their little ones. N. P. Dodge, brother of the general, presided, and Judge Carson delivered a patriotic address, mainly directed to the children, in which he explained to them the lesson that the struggle of '61 should teach them. A program of patriotic songs and recitations was carried out, at the close of which every child present was made happy with the gift of a large sack of fruit and candy.

Pear Brooches. Edholm's, Omaha.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers were filed yesterday in the abstract, title and loan office of J. W. Squire, 101 Pearl street:

John R. Toller to W. C. Mitts, lot 22, block 7, Hughes & Doniphan's add., Council Bluffs, w. d.	$ 300
William Lewis and wife to Arthur C. Lewis, s½ ne¼ and se¼ ne¼ section 35, and s½ nw¼ 36-74-40, w. d.	8,500
National Building and Savings Association of Boone, Ia., to Marzeli Kersten, jr., lot 21, block 33, Central sub., w. d.	1,000
J. W. Squire and wife to Leroy Monroe, s½ sw¼ and s½ nw¼ sw¼ section 27, and e 5 acres se¼ se¼ 28-76-43, w. d.	3,150
Four transfers, aggregating	$12,950

FARM LOANS
Negotiated in Eastern Nebraska and Iowa. James N. Casady, jr., 126 Main st., Council Bluffs.

FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES BOUGHT
For Cash or Loaned On.
E. H. SHEAFE & CO.,
6 Pearl Street, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

LEAPER HAS A TALE OF WOE

Asks to Have the Bonds Binding Him to Mrs. Leaper Severed.

ALLEGES THAT SHE IS A CRUEL WIFE

Affirms that Under Her Sway His Home is Not the Ideal One that Loving Couples Should Have.

Frank D. Leaper commenced suit in the district court here yesterday for divorce from his wife, Anna Leaper. The suit is of more than passing interest as it is a sequel to the somewhat sensational case in which Leaper and a young woman stenographer, named Alice Williams, were arrested in this city and tried at the last term of court on the charge of adultery, Mrs. Leaper being the prosecuting witness for the state. The trial lasted several days, a large number of witnesses on both sides being introduced and resulted in the jury after being out a considerable length of time returning a verdict in favor of the defendants. Before Leaper's removal to this city in the early part of last summer he and his wife lived in a small town in Linn county, near Cedar Rapids.

In his petition Leaper alleges that his wife has been guilty of cruel and inhuman treatment toward him, so much so as to endanger his life. Also that she is naturally of a very irritable and quick-tempered disposition and that never during her marriage relations with him has she at any time made any attempt to explain her quick temper, but on the contrary she has without any just cause cultivated and encouraged an angry and irritable disposition towards him. Leaper claims further that his wife, judging from her conduct as manifested towards him, has only feelings of hate and enmity in place of love.

For his own side of the case, Leaper asserts that he has always tried to afford her a good and substantial home, to care abundantly for her welfare, to make her home comfortable and to have for her a happy and pleasant household. His efforts in this direction, however, he says, were far from being appreciated by Mrs. Leaper, but that she on the contrary studiously sought to make his home life miserable and that at divers and sundry times without any just cause would pack up her trunk and leave home and remain away until such time as in her good pleasure she saw fit to return.

Leaper, as one of the particular grounds on which his prayer for a divorce should be granted, alleges that at divers and sundry times during their married life Mrs. Leaper so far forgot herself as to threaten in a vicious manner to kill him and told him that she would poison him in a way and at a time that he would not know of; also that she would terminate his existence in such a manner that he would not know what was the matter with him. He further alleges that during the month of February, 1897, while his wife was in one of her periodical fits of temper, she vented her spleen and hatred towards him by throwing a number of household articles at him; that in May of the following year she hurled with great force a butcher knife at him. Fortunately her aim was poor and the knife missed him, sticking in the wall behind. On another occasion, he says, she "came at" him with a butcher knife and declared that she would cut his heart out.

Not wishing to lose that part of his anatomy he would feel obliged if the court would grant a severance of the marriage ties that at present bind him to Mrs. Leaper. He also asks for the custody of their 13-year-old son, Clyde, who was one of the witnesses for Leaper at the recent trial and who is at present living with him in this city, Mr. and Mrs. Leaper were married May 27, 1884, at Anamosa, in Jones county.

Special Sale.
Today on all our large line of Platinotypes.
$1.50 size go at $1.10.
75c size go at 50c.
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Band Boys Give a Concert.

The Fifty-first Iowa Regimental band gave an excellent concert last night at the Dohany theater. The attendance was not such as the entertainment warranted, the audience chiefly consisting of a number of the members of Company L and their relatives. Despite the empty benches the soldier musicians gave a splendid program of patriotic and classic music and fully maintained the reputation the band had of being the crack musical organization of the Eighth Army corps. A. H. Covalt, who is a Council Bluffs boy, and at one time a member of Dalbey's famous band, demonstrated that he has few peers as a cornetist, and H. L. Davis rendered some very pleasing solos on the piccolo, which showed him to be a master of that sweet instrument. The band was frequently cheered when it played some selection that brought to the memory of the boys of Company L some incident in the far off Philippines. Drum Major Christy has a fine tenor voice and his rendition of "Barrack Pastimes" received a well merited encore. The concert was brought to a close with "The Star Spangled Banner," at the finish of which Bandmaster Landers received a perfect ovation. The small audience is attributed to the fact that the concert was inadequately advertised.

Howell's Anti-"Kawf" cures coughs, colds.

Davis sells paints.

Arrested for Attempted Assault.

Henry Robinson, a colored porter at the Ogden hotel, was taken into custody last evening after he had made distinct attempts to assault H. S. Boyle, a grading contractor on the Illinois Central and a guest at the hotel. Robinson had been nursing a grievance against Boyle for several days past, as he had been informed that the contractor was trying to force him out of his job. He met Boyle in the rotunda of the hotel and after a few words jumped at him with an open knife in his hand. Bystanders interfered and Robinson was disarmed. He returned again in a few minutes, flourishing a revolver and for a while it looked as if a tragedy was to be enacted, but a barber managed to get behind the infuriated porter from behind and wrenched the gun from him. Robinson ran out of the rotunda toward the rear of the house and shortly after reappeared with a sword in his hand. He threatened to run Boyle through the body, but half a dozen men took the sword away and held him until the police who had been summoned arrived on the scene.

Denny Has Swartz in Tow.

Chief of Police Albro received yesterday afternoon from Captain Denny, who went to Kansas City after Swartz, the alleged diamond swindler, the following telegram: "Got man. Sent for requisition papers. Be home tonight." Captain Denny, however, failed to return and the police are of the opinion that his plans must have miscarried. Sam Snyder, one of the two pawnbrokers caught by Swartz, is with Captain Denny. The report that Swartz succeeded in working off some of his "painted" diamonds on other persons besides the two pawnbrokers has been proven to be without foundation. Snyder and Friedman were the only victims. The matter was kept secret by the police at the request of the pawnbrokers, but it leaked out through a tip from a gambler who happened to be on the inside of the deal. Neither of the daily reports of the two pawnbrokers victimized shows any record of loans made on loose diamonds and if they did advance money to Swartz, as it is claimed they did, they are liable to prosecution for not living up to the provisions of the city ordinance governing pawnbrokers.

DOINGS IN THE DISTRICT COURT.

Rush of Attorneys to File Suits for the January Term.

Yesterday was the last day for serving trial notices and today will be the last day for filing suits for the January term of district court, consequently there was a rush of attorneys yesterday to get their papers and petitions filed.

Lawrence T. Brown brought suit against the Union Pacific Railway company for $50,000 damages for alleged personal injuries. Brown on April 18 of the present year was a switchman in the employ of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy road and while in the performance of his duty as such was riding on the footboard of a switch engine which was going west on Tenth avenue. At the alley crossing between Main and Sixth streets Brown was thrown from the footboard and rolled about forty feet by the engine and, as he claims, seriously and permanently injured. Brown alleges that the accident was due to the defective condition of the Union Pacific crossing, which allowed the front wheels of the engine he was on to sink down and the frog of the crossing to rise up and tear off the footboard. Brown recites that he was a young man at the time of the accident, earning $60 a month, and was in line of promotion. Now he alleges he is permanently injured, his nervous system shattered and that he has been in constant bodily pain since the accident.

Mrs. Nettie Venable filed the petition in her suit for divorce from A. W. Venable, to whom she was married in this county November 21, 1894. She asks for the severance of the matrimonial knot on statutory grounds and requests the court to give her back her maiden name of Nettie McNay.

C. H. Coffeen commenced suit against the Racine Wagon and Carriage company for $225. Coffeen alleges that on July 26 last he entered into a contract, partly oral and partly in writing, whereby he was to enter the employ of the defendant company as traveling salesman at a monthly salary of $75 and expenses. Two months later, he says, he was discharged without cause and the amount sued for represents what would have been his wages from the time of his discharge to the present date.

The Omaha Bridge and Terminal Railway company has filed suit against the Mt. Zion Baptist church and the American Baptist Home Mission society to quiet its title to a certain lot in Beers' subdivision. The property in question formerly belonged to the church, but was sold for taxes in 1892.

E. H. Rand commenced suit against John S. Morgan, sheriff of Pottawattamie county, and the Citizens' State bank for $1,500, the value of certain stock alleged to have been wrongfully seized by the defendants under attachment proceedings. In October, 1898, the Citizens' State bank owned a note signed by H. F. Dailey, who went to the Philippines. Dailey had a quantity of stock on L. P. Judson's pasture, north of the city, and this was seized by the bank under an attachment. Rand now claims that a number of cattle, sheep and pigs which were seized at the time were his property and in charge of one C. H. Shreve. Dailey recently returned from the Philippines.

The entries yesterday included a number of foreclosure suits.

Council Bluffs B. P. O. E.—Call at Edholm's jewelry store, 107 N. 16th st., Omaha, and see some handsome Elk Tooth Charms and Elk Head Lapel Buttons.

Diamonds, Edholm, Jeweler, Omaha.

New Service Needed.

The abandonment by the Union Pacific of its dummy train service between the transfer depot and Omaha at the beginning of the new year will necessitate the Omaha & St. Louis making some other arrangement for getting its passengers across the river from the train which reaches this city at 8:35 p. m. As the matter now stands the passengers will have to use the motor service between this city and Omaha.

The Wells-Fargo company will also be materially inconvenienced by the abandonment of the dummy service, as all express matter that arrives here on the Omaha & St. Louis evening train will have to lay over all night at the transfer or else be hauled across the river by wagon. The officials of the express company and the Omaha & St. Louis road have the matter at present under consideration and what will be done has not yet been determined on.

LODGE HAS NO FAITH IN IT

Iowa Man's Relatives Cannot Collect on Policy Because of Christian Science Treatment.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Dec. 29.—George W. Goodrich carried a $2,000 policy in the Ancient Order of United Workmen. Three months before his death his physician was dismissed and Christian Science treatment substituted. The order now refuses to settle unless a physician's proof of death is submitted or the body is disinterred and a post mortem held. The physician refuses to certify.

A lodge of Modern Woodmen of America in a Nebraska town recently refused to pay a policy, setting up the same contention.

First Hog to Be Killed Today.

SIOUX CITY, Dec. 29.—(Special.)—At 9 o'clock tomorrow morning the first hog will be killed in Sioux City by the International Packing company. The citizens of Sioux City gave a bonus of nearly $500,000 to get this company to locate here. For several weeks large forces of men have been engaged in getting the plant ready for use, and now the fires have been started in the furnaces.

Company B's Minor Officers.

VILLISCA, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—These are the noncommissioned officers of Company B: Benjamin Baker, first sergeant; James C. Creswell, S. C. Baker, Charles O. Foster and James A. Dunn, duty sergeants; H. A. Baker, George E. Wahn, Charles E. Meyers and Bert E. Baker, corporals; A. T. Linworth, lance corporal.

Iowa News Notes.

The Odd Fellows of Clinton have dedicated a new temple.

The new railroad connection of Davenport and Clinton has been completed.

Paul Correll of Vinton distributed $75,000 in Christmas presents among his relatives.

J. S. Nagle of Dubuque is a candidate for the appointment of state labor commissioner.

Joseph Judd of Thurman was accidentally killed by a tree he had chopped down falling on him.

Louis Brush, who lives near Iowa City, was killed by a tree which he had cut down falling upon him.

Injunction proceedings have been commenced against all the saloons in Iowa county except those in Marengo.

The Woman's Relief corps of the state has presented a beautiful silk flag to the Soldiers' home at Marshalltown.

TEACHERS GET INTO A ROW

Charges Against Candidate for Association's First Vice Presidency.

ACCUSED ABSENT FROM THE MEETING

Miller of Boone, Against Whom Charges Were Made, Finally Elected—Other Officers Chosen—Resolutions Adopted.

DES MOINES, Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The state teachers' convention ended with today's session. These officers were elected:

President, W. O. Riddell, Des Moines; first vice president, G. I. Miller, Boone; second vice president, A. R. Salo, Mason City; third vice president, William Bell, Creston; executive committee representative-at-large, Inez Kelso, Corydon. Educational council, H. B. Hayden, Council Bluffs; A. B. Noble, Ames; President Blakesley, Mount Pleasant; C. H. Carson, Marengo; W. W. Gist, Cedar Rapids; C. F. Schnell, Garner.

When the nominating committee announced the name of Superintendent Miller of Boone for first vice president, Superintendent Chandler moved that Miller's name be stricken from the report and that Superintendent B. S. Wright of Cedar Falls be substituted. A long row lasting over an hour and a half ensued. It was charged that Miller as teller in the contest for members of the nominating committee changed the vote so as to elect three men who were defeated. After a long squabble the report of the committee was finally adopted, as Miller was not present to defend himself.

The convention passed a resolution asking the legislature for a law prohibiting saloons within five miles of the State university.

A resolution was adopted favoring restricted education laws.

Addresses were delivered today by Paul Shorey of Chicago, W. S. Mack of Aurora, Ill., Mrs. Jessie L. Gaynor and Mrs. Alice Putnam of Chicago, and State Superintendent Barrett of Des Moines.

This was the forty-fifth annual convention.

Will Pardon Four Life Convicts.

It is learned tonight that Governor Shaw will submit to the legislature the pardon of but four life convicts. They are: Thomas Kelly, sentenced in Lucas county in 1886; John Bellew, Webster county, 1894; Cornelius Moelthen, Dubuque county, 1878; Jasper Mason, Dallas county, 1878.

Fifteen life convicts petitioned for executive clemency. Among them were the Rainsberger brothers, who were sent to prison from Eldora, and concerning whose expected effort to secure a pardon from the legislature much has been printed. John Wesley Evans was also another petitioner. He is the boy who killed his mother and father when he was but 11 years of age. These and the other petitions Governor Shaw determined not to present to the legislature.

A curious looseness of expression obtains in the law relating to the pardoning of life convicts in Iowa. It provides that the governor shall not pardon such convicts until their petitions are referred to the legislature. Every governor has construed this to mean that the governor cannot pardon until the legislature recommends to him that those whose petitions are submitted to it shall be pardoned. But the law plainly does not require the executive either to await the recommendation of the legislature nor to observe its recommendation; nor does it prevent the governor pardoning persons whose pardon the legislature refuses to recommend. It is probable that an effort will be made to have the law made clearer.

Recess in Senatorial Fight.

Political hostilities are to be again suspended. Until after the New Year holiday the Des Moines lobbies will be deserted. The senatorial fight will be transferred, what little there will be of it during that time, to the various counties. Bowen and Eaton left Des Moines this evening for their respective homes, but will return again early next week. J. W. Blythe went home last night expressing himself perfectly confident. When he comes back next week he will be accompanied by his father-in-law, Senator Gear, who will remain until the fight is ended, which will be scarcely a week later.

OPPOSITION TO W. J. BRYAN

"Cyclone" Davis of Texas Tells Why the Apostle of Free Silver Will Not Do.

DES MOINES, Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—"Cyclone" Davis of Texas arrived in the city today and is holding a conference with General Weaver and other prominent leaders of populism in this state. Mr. Davis explained the object of his visit to the north. He declared the party leaders realized that unless some concerted action was taken at once with a view to amalgamating the warring factions of the party, all the prestige and power the populist once enjoyed would be lost. He pointed to the belters of the south who joined in a movement in Cincinnati two years ago and declared this faction would never stand for an endorsement of Bryan for the presidency.

"The situation at the present time," he said, "is precarious. I am visiting the north in order to find out the feelings of the populists in regard to holding a convention next year. We in Texas have not joined the belters, yet there is a strong feeling against Bryan. What to do is a question, although I believe if the party leaders would get together some solution could be arrived at whereby the organization could be saved. Personally, I have nothing to say against Bryan. I was against him at the St. Louis convention. My attitude toward him now is a matter I do not care to discuss. I will go from here to St. Paul, and then the Dakotas."

Davis practically admitted that Bryan would not receive the endorsement of the populists and that without its united support the Nebraska man could not hope to win.

Case of Smallpox at Jesup.

JESUP, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—President Schroeder of the State Board of Health visited here to inspect the suspected case of smallpox. He pronounced it a genuine case, but in a very mild form. All who have visited the home have been placed under strict quarantine and as no new cases have developed the scare is about over. The city council met and ordered several houses quarantined on account of some of their inmates having visited in the house where the first case broke out.

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Fight for County Treasurer's Office.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—In the contest for the office of treasurer of Webster county E. H. Cox, defeated democratic candidate, today filed notice of appeal to the district court. The case will probably go to the supreme court for final decision. Cox and J. A. Lindquist, the republican candidate, received a tie vote on the face of the returns. The Board of Supervisors gave the office to Lindquist by thirty-one votes, deciding that defective ballots had been counted for Cox.

Coal Dealer Kills Himself.

CRESTON, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special.)—Robert R. Palmer, a well known grain and coal dealer, committed suicide last night in his office by putting a bullet through his right temple. It is believed that he grew despondent over business reverses. He leaves a widow and five children. His life was well insured. Of late he had talked much about religious matters, something that did not often engross his attention.

Railway Finished at Davenport.

DAVENPORT, Ia., Dec. 29.—(Special Telegram.)—The last spike of the Davenport, Clinton & Northern was driven today. The road expects to commence its freight traffic between Clinton and Davenport the first of next week and within ten days to put four passenger trains into service.

"I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my health and life. It cured me of lung trouble following grippe." Thousands owe their lives to the prompt action of this never failing remedy. It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate relief.

GAELIC ARRIVES FROM ORIENT

No New Cases of Plague in Honolulu—Transport Victoria Breaks All Records.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—The steamer Gaelic arrived here today from the Orient, via Honolulu. The Gaelic was sent to quarantine owing to the plague scare, but the cabin passengers were allowed to land, tow boats plying between the steamer and the city for the purpose. The Associated Press correspondent at Honolulu sends the following under date of December 23:

There have been no new cases of plague since last advices. There have been several sudden deaths and in each instance rumor assigned the plague as the cause. Investigation proved otherwise. On the 19th the quarantine over Chinatown was lifted and business is now going on as usual in that district. There have been no deaths by plague since the 12th inst. Up to that time five victims were reported. The Board of Health now claims but two deaths were caused by the scourge, the remaining three cases being doubtful or suspicious.

Chinatown is being thoroughly cleaned. A commission of three has been appointed to examine the district and report some scheme to remodel the territory. The council of state will be asked to appropriate $100,000 at once with which to carry out the present plan of altering and cleansing Chinatown in accordance with the plan of the Board of Health.

After its disastrous disappearance near the sound the transport Victoria has succeeded in breaking all records for good service in the transportation of animals between here and San Francisco. It arrived here on the 20th and docked at the Pacific Mail wharf without having lost a single horse or mule out of a load of 336. The trip was made in good time and the animals are in excellent condition.

Samuel M. Damon has returned after an extended trip abroad. He has again taken up the duties of minister of finance. Minister Lansing resigned on the 20th, requesting that he be relieved at once, and the resignation was accepted.

With a broken mainmast and piles of torn rigging on its decks, the ship Eclipse, fifty-two days from Newcastle, arrived in the harbor December 21. It was struck by a squall or waterspout on December 2, and in five seconds its mast had gone, thirteen sails were split and one seaman, who was aloft, was carried away so far from the ship that he was never again seen.

The disaster to the Eclipse came from a clear sky and in the midst of a calm. Captain Peterson thinks that a waterspout must have done the damage. The breaking of iron bars showed a storm of most remarkable power. Iron bars four or five inches thick were twisted like thin wire and thick pieces of iron were cut in two as if they had been soft wood. The captain immediately headed for the Marinquesas Islands, where repairs were made. The Eclipse is an American ship. It left Newcastle on October 27, with 1,997 tons of coal, for here.

The modern and most effective cure for constipation and all liver troubles—the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

PALACE CAR CASE ARGUMENTS

Judge Tuthill Refuses to Issue Order—Allows Time Enough to Transfer Stock.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Judicial ruling on the petition for an injunction to restrain the merging of the Wagner Palace Car company and the Pullman Palace Car company will be had tomorrow, when Judge Tuthill will pass on the motion of the issuance of a temporary injunction. Before that time the transfer of the stock of the Pullman Palace Car company in payment of the assets of the Wagner Palace Car company may be effected, as the court refused to enter any order in the case.

Attorneys for both sides made extended arguments this afternoon, but the court refused to issue an order before 10 o'clock in the morning and it is understood that before that time the transfer will have been made and the matter be beyond a restraining order.

CORNISH AS A MIMIC WITNESS

Recorder Goff Stops Pantomimic Reproduction of Scene When Mrs. Adams Took the Poison.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The most interesting incident today in the trial of Roland B. Molineux, charged with the murder of Katherine J. Adams, occurred during the cross-examination of Harry Cornish by Barstow S. Weeks, the defendant's counsel.

Weeks asked the witness to step from the stand, sit down at the end of the table occupied by the attorneys for the state, go through the performance of opening the bottle of bromo seltzer, show how he knocked the contents into the glass, how he poured the water from one glass into another, being careful to get approximately the same amount of water that he used in the preparation of the fatal dose on the morning of the murder of Mrs. Adams. Cornish complied with the request and proceeded to demonstrate about how much he drank of the mixture, also about how much Mrs. Adams took of the poison.

It was not until Weeks asked the witness to drink the water in this pantomimic reproduction of the scene on the morning of Mrs. Adams' death that Recorder Goff interfered. Weeks assured Cornish that the water would not hurt him, but the court remarked:

"This dumb show has gone far enough."

Assistant District Attorney Osborne good naturedly told the witness to go ahead and drink the water and the witness picked up the glass with the remark:

"Well, I will drink it."

At this point Recorder Goff again interfered with the statement that he would not permit anything of the sort to take place in the court room. Osborne said that while Cornish did not like the tactics of the attorney for the defendant, he had no objection to drinking the water, if allowed to do so by the court. This, however, the recorder would not consent to.

Two of the most important witnesses for the prosecution were on the stand during the day. They were John D. Adams, former secretary of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, and Cornish.

Adams was the first witness called. The most interesting point in connection with his testimony today was his positive identification of the handwriting on the poison package as that of Molineux's. The testimony of Cornish consisted largely of detailed descriptions of the scenes on the morning of the murder at the Adams flat. Recorder Goff refused to allow Mr. Weeks to ask any questions as to the present whereabouts of Mrs. Cornish, the wife of the witness, and why Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, the latter the daughter of Mrs. Adams, had separated.

Gold Exports to Europe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Heidelbach, Ickelheimer & Co. will ship $1,600,000 gold by tomorrow's steamer. This makes a total for tomorrow so far engaged of $2,850,000.

The Bank of Montreal shipped $500,000 gold to Canada yesterday.

Kansas Notes and Comment.

Kansas made 1,163,683 pounds of cheese the last year, valued at $101,731.29.

The fourth annual exhibit of the Mitchell County Poultry and Pet Stock association will be held at Beloit, January 3-6.

There are 350,000 pupils attending Kansas public schools and it costs $4,500,000 annually to foot the bill, or about $14 a head.

It is reported by Mr. Barnes of the Horticultural society that Kansas raises $20,000,000 worth of fruit every year, on an average.

An investigator has polled the faculty of the State Agricultural college and finds twenty-three republicans and twenty-one democrats and populists.

The farmers of Rice, McPherson and Reno counties produce half of the broom corn raised west of the Missouri. Their crop was sold this year for nearly $200,000.

John B. Sims of Missouri Center raised 500 bushels of corn on a five-acre field. Once before eighty-two bushels to the acre were raised on the same tract of Kansas soil.

A big Christmas tree was a feature of the celebration of the day at the State Insane asylum at Osawatomie, and it bore fruit for every one of 1,060 inmates and the 170 employes.

As an evidence of the improved financial condition of Kansas and the raising of her credit in the estimation of eastern investors it is of interest to note that there has been nearly $2,000,000 of 6 and 7 per cent municipal indebtedness refunded into 4½ and 5 per cent bonds during the last year.

Miss Elsie Reasoner, the Osborne girl who represented the coronation of Queen Wilhelmina in Holland for the Associated Press and who is to represent the association at the Paris exposition, will lecture at Leavenworth on the night of January 2, the proceeds to go to the Old Ladies' Rest of that place.

Missouri and Missourians.

The Quincy & Eastern railroad may build a line from Quincy to Hannibal.

The school children of Trenton looked after the poor of that city Christmas.

The county court of Carroll county shipped a pauper back to Switzerland.

Hon. C. B. Crowley of Chariton county is a candidate for judge of the court of appeals.

Nearly 4,000 pounds of turkey with dressing was served to the prisoners in the penitentiary Christmas.

T. W. Porter of Hopkins has sold $150 worth of milk from two Jersey cows since last April, besides supplying his family.

The editors of northwest Missouri are preparing for a big time at the annual meeting of their association in St. Joseph March 9 and 10, 1900.

The State College of Agriculture has announced the program for the short course from January 2 to March 23. The course is open without examination to all persons over 16 years old. Lectures are given on crop-growing, stock-breeding, stock-judging, stock-feeding, dairying, fruit-growing and kindred topics.

"Within the next five years Missouri will startle the world," says State Geologist Gallaher, "with the great amount of lead, zinc, copper, nickel, cobalt and coal mined in the state. Missouri is rich in these minerals, the richest of any state in the country. It has an abundance of the finest copper. The Missouri copper has a sufficient amount of gold in it to pay for the smelting of the ore, and this is a big thing."

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