

# What's The Matter With Plattsmouth?

POPULATION ABOUT 9,000 AND RAPIDLY INCREASING.

Over 100 Residences will be Constructed during the Year 1887.

Plattsmouth is situated at the mouth of the Platte River, at a point about half way between Chicago and Denver, only two hours by rail from Lincoln the capital, and 40 minutes from Omaha, the Metropolis of the State.

Has one of the finest systems of Water Works in the State; Streets are well lighted by gas; A Street Railway in process of construction; Grades of the streets established, and bonds voted for the purpose of constructing sewerage and the paving of Main Street; Has a fine four story High School building and six ward school houses; An Opera House costing \$50,000; Nebraska Preserve and Canning Factory, capital \$13,000, capacity 300,000 cans per year and employs 40 hands; Brick and Terra Cotta Works, capital \$50,000, capacity 10,000 bricks per day, employs thirty hands; Plattsmouth Canning Factory, capital \$30,000, capacity 1,500,000 cans per year and employs 125 hands, turns over in one year's business about \$100,000; Schnellbacher buggy and wagon factory; Pepperberg's cigar manufactory, employs 15 hands, and largely supplies the trade of southwestern Nebraska; The Great C. B. & Q. Railroad Machine Shops, Roundhouses, Storehouses, &c. are maintained at this point for the use of its system west of the Missouri River, employing many hundreds of hands, and disbursing to employes monthly about \$30,000; One of the finest railroad bridges in the United States spans the Missouri River at the southern limit of the city; Ten Passenger Trains leave Plattsmouth daily for north, south, east and west; Over 2,000 miles of railroad conveys its freight into and through our city.

The cheapness of land around Plattsmouth and its nearness to Omaha markets together with good railroad facilities, make it not only a pleasant place to reside, but a desirable place for the establishment of manufactories, and they are coming. While real estate values are growing more firm each day, yet there is nothing speculative or fictitious about them, and good residence lots can be bought at from \$100 to \$250; land near the city can be purchased at from \$100 to \$250 per acre. Within the next twelve months our city expects to welcome the Missouri Pacific and the Omaha and Southern Railways into its corporate limits.

These are facts and our city is well prepared for a boom. Now is the time for you to invest in South Park Property. Many lots have already been sold and a number of handsome cottages are now going up in this beautiful addition. Prices of lots \$150 each on monthly or yearly payments. "No trouble to show goods." Call and see us.

YOURS TRULY,

R. B. WINDHAM or JOHN A. DAVIES,

Over Bank of Cass County

## COUNTY LOCALS.

—Misses Kate and Carrie Oliver spent Sunday with friends at Bellevue.  
—L. C. Styles returned Saturday evening from a trip to Omaha and Lincoln.  
—Mrs. L. F. Kohrell left Saturday evening for Nebraska City, to visit relatives for a few days.  
—J. E. Morris left for Hastings Saturday evening on business connected with the O. R. T.  
—Merritt Kerr the ten year old son of B. C. Kerr of this city, is quite sick with typhoid fever.  
—Mr. Eads, Fred Murphy, and Geo. Lehnhof and Misses Grace Anderson and Julia Oliver spent Sunday with Miss Craner in Omaha.  
—Saturday evening the jury, in the case of Mr. Kennedy, charged with burglary, returned a verdict of not guilty after being out about an hour.  
—W. J. Hesser returned Saturday evening from the Lincoln fair, where he had a large amount of goods on exhibition. He raked in a large number of premiums—more than he had anticipated—and sold most of his prize stock on the ground and contracted to furnish a new Lincoln nurseryman a large amount of plants. This is one of the greatest benefits of a fair—it advertises the competitors, and our merchants who have themselves represented at our fair will not lack their reward.  
—MARRIED.—On Sabbath afternoon at five o'clock at the residence of Mrs. E. J. Eiler, in the western part of the city, Mr. Lewis M. Pennington and Miss Carrie G. Eiler were united in wedlock by Rev. W. B. Alexander. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a small company of intimate friends of the contracting parties. The bride and groom started west this morning to visit friends and spend a few days when they will return to Plattsmouth and take up their abode. May theirs be a prosperous and happy journey through life.

## OUR CITY'S BRAVES.

**Fifty of Them Stand by and Look on While Three Villains try to Annihilate John Fitzpatrick.**

**But the Plucky Officer Does Them up Unaided.**

Last evening James Brown, James Murphy and Charley Kinzer were trying to raise a quarrel among themselves. Officer John Fitzpatrick being unable to hush them up attempted to arrest them. Brown is a great big stout ruffian, and Murphy thinks there is no man in the county to equal him in the ring and is a villain, and Kinzer is a hard man also, and they were all drunk enough to be full of fight.

Fitzpatrick attempted to arrest Brown first who resisted; John struck the man with his billy over the right eye a couple of times and downed him, but Brown swore he would not be taken alive and seized Fitzpatrick by the throat and kicked him in the breast savagely. The call of the officer for help did not receive the least response from the cowardly crowd, and while he was overcoming Brown, Murphy slipped up and wrenched his billy from him and with this cleared his (Murphy's) way through the crowd like a person would sweep feathers on a marble floor. Mr. Fitzpatrick then left Brown and followed Murphy, and with his gun in Murphy's face ordered him to give up the billy. Murphy, told him to shoot and at the same time tripped him with his foot, but the officer seized Murphy as he fell and the two came down together, with Fitzpatrick on top, and another desperate fight ensued, with Murphy with the billy making every effort to lay Mr. Fitzpatrick out.

At this state of things, Bill Ellington came to the officer's assistance and took the billy from Murphy; but meanwhile Kinzer had seen Murphy with the billy and called out "I'll stay with you boys" and had in a way lent his influence for the murderous couple, and even made an effort to get Fitzpatrick off from

Murphy under the pretense of helping him. When Ellington took the billy from Murphy, Murphy grabbed the barrel of Fitzpatrick's revolver and pulled on it and came near shooting himself as the officer had a hold on the other end his finger on the trigger and in the scuffle, the hammer was partially raised—the weapon was a self-cocker—but Fitzpatrick finally gained possession of the weapon.

Up to this time Murphy had not received a blow, but now enraged at his failure to overcome the officer and the loss of the billy, began to use all kinds of evil language and would not give up. To overcome him Fitzpatrick struck him once or twice in the face with his fist and proceeded to yank him along to jail.

The trouble occurred in front of Blake's saloon and when Mr. Fitzpatrick returned Kinzer had disappeared and Brown had made for the railroad; but mean while Marshal W. H. Malick, who had been at the other end of Main street came along and followed Brown up and caught him climbing into a box car beyond the beer store house along the railroad track. Mr. Malick there captured him and after a little convincing medicine and determined effort brought his man back.

Murphy and Brown are the same men who, a little over a week ago, got in a scuffle with Marshal Malick by Blake's saloon, and in his effort to down Brown, Malick threw him into a plate glass window and received a severe gash on his left arm. From that arrest they were just liberated yesterday. Brown is a young rough but Murphy is a professional villain and is worthy of the penitentiary and would undoubtedly have killed Mr. Fitzpatrick had he obtained the revolver. John Fitzpatrick is a brave man to engage the three—Murphy, Brown and Kinzer—in such a combat, unaided and with a crowd of cowardly men standing around.

At court this morning Murphy and Brown plead guilty to resisting an officer, Kinzer having effectually escaped. They

were a "done up" looking couple. Brown had two cuts across his forehead over the right eye and Murphy had both eyes more or less inflamed. Mr. Fitzpatrick appeared in court but was pretty sore from the kicks he had received on the breast and head, and his neck bore scratches from Brown's fingers. The sentence was only ten days and costs, \$7.80. Mr. Fitzpatrick showed pluck and good reasoning in not shooting the men, although he would have been justified in doing so.

From the past experiences it is plainly evident that Plattsmouth has the pluckiest and best police force of any town in the state and they are thoroughly reliable.

The men who stood round and refused to help Mr. Fitzpatrick were cowards and do not deserve the name of citizens of the place the officer was risking his life to protect.

## Women Inventors.

Patents have been granted to women during the week ending Aug. 30, 1887, as follows:

Kate W. Eubank, Rutherford, Cal., combined trunk and bureau.  
Clementina S. M. Hayna, St. Louis, Mo., furnace.  
Mary Jorp, Salem, Ore., pie-holder.  
Amelia H. Lindsey, Pittsburg, Pa., rotary engine.  
Nannie M. Showman, Newark, O., combined hair-curler and crimper.  
Mary S. Snow, Sacramento, Cal., umbrella or parasol.

The Kansas Equal Suffrage Societies of Lawrence, Fort Scott, Emporia and Topeka have decided to each furnish articles for the Woman Suffrage Bazaar to be held at Boston Mass., that will sell for one hundred dollars; Larned, Anthony Lincoln, Chetopa and other points fifty dollars' worth of gifts; Atchison, Adilene, Independence and other places promise to do all they can.

—Will Clark is giving his tonsorial shop a thorough over-hauling preparatory to the fall and winter trade.

## Important.

All persons attending the Methodist conference at Lincoln, who have no computation of rates, should ask the R. R. agent from whom they buy their tickets for a receipt stating that they have paid full fare going; and when they reach the seat of conference, call upon the secretary and get his endorsement, which will entitle them to return for one third fare provided there are fifty persons with such receipts.

—The Plum Pudding a very funny comedy on the style of A Parlor Match, A Rag Baby etc. appeared at the Opera House last night to a highly pleased audience. Miss Sartelle the principal Plum is young and pretty, a clever vocalist and a finished actress. The support is good.—*Dubuque Times*.—The above play will be presented at the Opera House next Monday evening Sept. 25.

—Rev. W. B. Alexander preached the last sermon of this conference yesterday, and it may be his last sermon as pastor of this M. E. church. At the end of the morning sermon he gave the church statistics for the last two years, which showed rich prosperity—the membership having almost doubled. He leaves Wednesday for Lincoln to attend conference and to receive his appointment for the coming year, which his friends hope will again be Plattsmouth. The meetings will be held in St. Paul's M. E. church at Lincoln, Bishop Hurst presiding. The meetings are public and any who desires may attend; they will continue over Sunday.

—Plattsmouth Circulating Library at Warrick's Drug Store \$1 per year, 25¢ per month. d & w 6t.

—Mr. J. Rivitt, of Lincoln visited over Sunday with his son Dick.

—Miss Josephine Morrissy has returned from Milford, Neb.

—Try "Plantation" Punch Cigars at Warrick's "America's finest 5c. Cigar." d6t-w4t

## From Wednesday's Daily.

—Capt. H. E. Palmer left this morning for Pawnee City to be gone the greater part of the week.

—Mr. F. B. Seelmeire and wife left last evening for the lakes and other points east to be gone two or three weeks.

—Mrs. Bake who has been visiting with Mrs. J. C. Eikenberry the last few days, went to Red Oak this morning on a visit.

—Mr. F. D. Palmer, a cousin of the Dovey Bros. returned to Indianapolis last evening after his family, to bring them to Plattsmouth.

—Mrs. Billsby of Fremont, Neb. and Mrs. Chauncey Demming of Brush Creek, Iowa, arrived this morning to visit the family of C. E. Wescott.

—S. W. Dutton received a telegram this morning announcing the death of his brother at Richland, Iowa, he leaves this evening to attend the funeral.

—Mrs. D. A. Campbell returned last evening from York Neb. where she has been visiting her parents, her sister Miss Maud Barnes came home with her for a short visit.

—Val Burkel returned last evening from St. Joe, Mo., where he met his sister, from Portsmouth, Ohio, who came home with him and will remain some time visiting her uncle, J. P. Young.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Weed, left this morning for Vermont, New York and other points in the east. Mr. Weed is superintendent of the store department of the B. & M. shops. This is his first vacation for nearly six years; he expects to be gone about a month. Mrs. Weed will be gone longer.

—Pick out the piece of Real Estate you want and then call for price and terms upon Windham & Davies. Over Bank of Cass Co. 18tf.

## For Sale.

A farm containing 640 acres of land, well improved, timber and water. Best stack farm in Cass county. For terms apply to 14tf BEESON & SULLIVAN.