

THE PRELIMINARY HEARING

Only Taken Yesterday in the Beaver Case

The preliminary examination of Mrs. S. A. Clair, Williams and McLaughlin was being held yesterday in Omaha. We give below the testimony of the two most important witnesses that have thus far testified.

Honore Beaver, brother of Miss Beaver, said: "About two weeks after my sister left home, I received a letter from her which said that she was in Omaha at the institute and was being doctor for a tumor. On January 9 I came to Omaha and saw her, and she said she was being treated for a tumor and that a sponge was being used in her womb. McLaughlin told me she was suffering from a tumor and that he had punctured it. His sister had paid him \$40 and her time was most up, but she thought to stay at the institute six weeks longer to be fully cured. My sister told me she had been at the institute five weeks. I left her with my sister and told her to stay until she was entirely cured. That is the price McLaughlin told me he would cure her for. McLaughlin also told me his treatment had greatly reduced the tumor. He also said my sister was not in the family way. The next time I saw my sister she was dead. I came to Omaha to respond to a telegram from the institute. My sister Alice accompanied me. After I arrived at the institute I learned that my sister had been in the family way. While there I met Dr. Sinclair. He told me that my sister had told him that she had not felt life for two weeks, and that while removing the child he put her under the influence of chloroform, and she came out of it all right. I did not ask nor did the doctor say how long it was that my sister died after the child was removed. I, however, did tell him that he had deceived me when he said on my former visit that my sister was not in the family way but was suffering from a tumor. He replied that he was shielding her from her friends at his request. He further said that if I had been a physician I could not have helped doing the thing. Dr. Sinclair informed me that my sister's condition was at Griggs. He also informed me that the child's remains were at the same place. I saw the remains of my sister the next day. He further informed me that the child was dead when it had been removed. I had my sister's body placed in a coffin and sent to Plattsmouth, where she was buried. I did not see the remains of the child."

Mrs. James Boyce of Carroll, Ia., the next witness said: "I was at the institute the day Miss Beaver died and know where her room was. I saw her that day in the afternoon. She was combing her hair. She felt sick and was about to be confined. At that time there was no other person present in the room. She told me that the doctors were going to perform an operation in a short time. I did not see Miss Beaver again that day, and did not learn of her death until the next morning, when I was eating my breakfast. I saw Miss Beaver every day during the two weeks I was being treated but I did not know until the day before her death that she was in the family way.

The taking of further evidence was then postponed until next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The Newly Elected Teachers.

Plattsmouth employs twenty-four teachers in her public schools, twenty-one of them have been selected and the remaining three will be elected at a meeting of the school board to be held to-night. The teachers elected are as follows:

F. C. McClellan, supt., W. N. Halsey, principal, May McClelland, asst. prin., Alice Wilson, Addie Seavey, Clara Clark, Gertrude Kerney, Margaret Samson, Carrie Russell, May Berry, Margaret Shepard, Amelia Vallery, Albert Hays, Maggie Wright, Tressa Hemple, Ella Wright, Anna Heisel, Nana Moore, Sallie Thomas, Cora Cook, and Sue Mason.

Rev. J. T. Baird is the owner of the property on the hill across from the Hardigan residence. Some days ago he concluded to have a well dug on the premises and with that end in view he employed the firm Cory & Brosius. They have reached the depth of 155 feet which is below the level of the bottom of the Missouri river, but no water has yet been found. The well-diggers went through fifty feet of limestone and immediately underlying the limestone was a heavy bed of red clay, of a peculiar red clay, of an oily nature, much like soft putty; under the red vein was a four foot vein of an exceedingly bright green color of the same oily nature; that clay vein would make excellent paint was clearly demonstrated, but the cost of finding out the exact nature of the clay and the liability that it might turn out to be a pocket, is such that no one will not risk their money in a thorough investigation of the fact. The color in both clays are much brighter than any thing we ever saw in the way of shale or sandstone and we believe it would pay to have new material found in it and place it on the market.

County Court.

Petition of Herman Thiemann filed for probate of last will and testament of Peter Thiemann, deceased, and for letters testamentary thereunder to Caroline Thiemann.

Timothy Clark vs. Plattsmouth Canning Co., et al. Suit on account. On trial to court.

E. S. Coffin vs. Plattsmouth Canning Co., et al. Suit on account. On trial to court.

PREPARATIONS BEGUN.

For a Fourth of July Celebration

That Will Eclipse all Former Efforts in that Line. Cass and Adjoining Counties Will be Invited.

At the meeting called at Judge Ramsey's office for the purpose of making arrangements for a Fourth of July celebration, F. M. Eichey was chosen to preside and J. P. Young, was made secretary.

R. B. Windham stated the object of the meeting and thought it best to celebrate the incoming of the M. P. R. R. in connection with a general Fourth of July celebration and invite the entire county and adjoining counties to unite with us in the same. After considerable talk on the subject on motion the following committee on general arrangements was selected:

M. B. Murphy, R. B. Windham, W. H. Pickens, Frank Carruth, Geo. B. Weidman, E. S. Gensel, D. B. Smith and R. W. Hyers.

The following excellent special committees were chosen with instructions to go to work.

Finance Committee—F. Carruth, Geo. Weidman and R. W. Hyers.

Committee on Speakers—A. N. Sullivan, A. B. Kovas, C. W. Sherman and R. B. Windham.

Committee on Grounds—W. H. Pickens, Geo. Poirall and E. M. Richey.

Committee on Decoration—D. B. Smith, Val Barker, O. A. Brown, Mrs. J. N. Wise, Mrs. C. Parnelle and Mrs. J. P. Young.

Committee on Invitations, Printing and Programs—R. B. Windham, E. E. White, Sam Waugh and O. H. Ballou.

Committee on Fireworks—J. P. Young, Tom Patterson and D. C. McIntee.

Committee on Music—Fred Leinhardt, James Pettie, James Pollock, J. H. Young, Carl Hoeng and John Lutz.

Committee on Amusements—H. N. Dovey, H. Bous, C. Breckenfeld, F. Morgan and W. B. Short.

Reception Committee—J. M. Patterson, Fred Hermann, W. H. Cushing, B. Elson, Wm. Neville, J. C. Cummins, J. A. Gutsche, J. C. Petersen, D. M. Lewis and D. Hawkins.

Committee on Transportation—E. E. White, Byron Clark, A. N. Sullivan and A. B. Todd.

After some discussion of plans for properly celebrating the two events, the meeting adjourned to convene again to-night at 8:30 in the county judges office, when it is hoped every business house in the city will be represented. The attendance last evening was good, and a splendid feeling was manifested in order to make the celebration the great success which it deserves to be we must have every body interested, and helping by word or deed to assist in the undertaking. Be sure and come out to-night. We will show our neighbors that Plattsmouth is wide awake and never fails in any of her undertakings.

Bricklaying on the court house was begun this morning.

Parties in town have rented the old postoffice room in the Anheuser-Busch block for a harness and saddlery store.

Jim Sage and Sam Shumakersport a partnership team of black horses which they purchased in Iowa the other day that are certainly hard to beat.

Remember the meeting at the county judges office at 8:30 this evening. Bring up the committees by your attendance and help the good work along.

Miss Laura A. Aldrich of Griswold, Iowa, and Miss Deana Fischer of Seward, Iowa, are in the city today looking after positions in our public schools.

George Turner and wife left last evening for Chicago to show his "carriage race" to the railway authorities of that city.

The county and city assessors have all made their returns to the county except P. E. Ruffner of the second ward. At Despaire of the 3rd ward and W. J. Laughlin of Salt Creek precinct. Monday is the last day for the receipt of these returns as the county commissioners begin Tuesday their annual session as a board of Equalization.

How Elmwood People Were Duped.

Last winter a "Dr." King visited Elmwood representing the Omaha Medical and Surgical Institute. He claimed they could cure anything from a wart to a ten pound bunion or a cross eye to a busted reputation. He succeeded in securing patients and their notes to the amount of over \$700. The notes given were sold to second and third parties and now turn up against the doctors who gave them. The institution has lately been raked over red-hot coals by the World-Herald and three of the head men of the institution are now in jail awaiting trial for the murder of a lady patient from Plattsmouth. Dr. Sinclair, the red-headed Greek who tried to practice here and at Eagle, was a scoundrel, but we must not let a few scoundrels ruin the good name of the doctors who gave them. Let a known "medic" be men alone and consult your own registered doctor regarding your ailments.

PRUNINE.

The greatest of all remedies for children. Cures indigestion, constipation, feverishness and loss of sleep. Sold by Gering & Co.

Commencement Week at the High School.

Next week will witness the close of the public schools of the city. Tuesday will be field day, and a general picnic will be had at Fitzgerald's Forty.

Thursday evening will usher in the regular graduating exercises at the opera house, to be followed by the annual banquet of the alumni.

On Friday evening a grand musical entertainment will be given, of which the following is the program:

PROGRAM.

"Rainy Day Song" by Pupils from West End Ward.

Wand Drill by Pupils from M. P. R. R. School Room.

A Musical Extravaganza (A Play of the Season) by Misses from First and Second Wards.

A Dumbbell Dance by Pupils from West End Ward.

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Commencement Program.

Invocation by Rev. J. T. Baird.

Music, "March" by Rev. J. T. Baird.

Salutaries with Essay by Class No. 1.

Latin Recitation by Class No. 2.

Mathematics by Class No. 3.

History by Class No. 4.

Science by Class No. 5.

English by Class No. 6.

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make homes for themselves in the south; justifies the man who shoots them down or drives them out. Democracy is a curse to the land, the source of our bitterest woes; the haven where vice finds friends and crime its apologists and defenders. Democracy is original sin let loose to rent and destroy; it is the spirit of evil filling the swine of the land; the incarnation of unholy-ness; the child of the devil, its home should be in outer darkness where there is weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. Such, faintly pictured, my friend is what is the matter with democratic party.—Madison Chronical.