

The Evening Herald. OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

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CITY CORDIALS.

—The Bohemian society will give a grand masquerade ball on Monday evening at Fitzgerald's hall.

—Another case of diphtheria was reported today. The victim is Mrs. Hught, age 29 years, residence Granite street.

—The members of the "Kaffee Klatch" assembled at the home of Capt. Palmer yesterday afternoon to partake of a "five o'clock tea."

—Several brilliant sundogs were in the sky this morning and were much admired for their colors and perfect geometrical arrangement.

—Prof. Bruder, who gave an exhibition of slight of hand performance at the Waterman opera house last night, secured very small patronage. There were only about fifty people present.

—The Y. M. C. A. are looking forward to Sunday afternoon for another grand gospel meeting. State Secretary Nash will be there, and four new pieces are promised for the orchestra.

—There will be a meeting of the Women's Relief Corps tomorrow at 2 o'clock. All members are requested to be present as there will be an installation of officers. By order of committee.

—Miss Mamie McCoy, daughter of Mr. Jos. McCoy, is reported to be lying in a critical condition at her home, afflicted with malarial fever. She has been ill for some time, and indications for a speedy recovery are very discouraging at present.

—Col. Guy V. Henry, who is to lecture at Rockwood hall next Tuesday evening was engaged under Gen'l Crook in that memorable campaign in which the gallant Custer lost his life. His account of the battle on the Rosebud is of thrilling interest.

—We are glad to report that Mr. S. F. Thomas, who has recently taken up his abode in our midst, and who has for some time suffered severely from hip disease, is now convalescent. His many friends who were sorry to learn of his misfortune, will be happy to learn that he is now rapidly recovering.

—Six transient bums were stowed away in the jail last night. There was no necessity of turning a key on them. Plattsmouth is gaining quite a "rep" in that fraternity, and the county will be under considerable expense if such people are continually encouraged to visit this town by being harbored in this way. Fire them!

—It is rumored that Mr. H. M. Gault, who has been a prominent jeweler here for some time, is at present negotiating with a Mr. Weckerberry, of Hamburg, with the intention of entirely disposing of his stock and retiring from the business. No satisfactory settlement has yet been arrived at, but in all probability an exchange will be made today or tomorrow.

—Miss Hattie Latham gave a party at her home, North Sixth street, last night in honor of her guest, Miss Viereg, of Central City. There were about thirty guests present and several who were unable to attend sent their regrets. Various amusements were indulged in until a late hour and a very enjoyable time was reported by all who attended.

—Secretary Bothwell, of the Y. M. C. A., informs us that State Secretary Nash, of the association, will be in Plattsmouth Sunday and make several addresses. The presence of Mr. Nash in the city Sunday insures some grand services, and it will doubtless be a rich day for the young men who hear him. Many Plattsmouth people remember him for the splendid bible readings given here last summer, at the time of the organizing of the Y. M. C. A. to secure a general secretary, and will go gladly to hear him again. An announcement of the program of meetings for Sunday will be made tomorrow.

Thursday morning a young man named Chapin narrowly escaped a horrible death by fire, and the boarding house on the corner of Fourth and Main streets where he boards was the scene of a second fire within a week. He had carefully entwined the stovepipe which extends through his room from the kitchen to the chimney, with his hose, the night previous to the scare. Shortly after a fire had been kindled in the kitchen stove, and by the time the stove and pipe began to heat up considerably, several of the boards in adjoining rooms were alarmed by the strong odor of burning material. When they discovered from whence it came they rushed to Chapin's room and found him in the act of whipping the hose and endeavoring to extinguish fire which had a good hold on a portion of his attire. It is strange why his sleep was not prolonged, but fortunately he succeeded in awakening in time to extinguish what might have proved a serious fire.

LEGISLATION AT LINCOLN.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

LINCOLN, Neb., Jan. 11, '89.

EDITOR HERALD:—The capital city is unusually quiet, with the exception of hotels and legislative halls. The week of prayer is observed by all denominations; the attendance at each church indicates that the members thereof keenly feel the calamity of a legislature in session. The legislators, however, do not seem at all depressed, but grind away merrily, preparing and introducing bills, dodging constituents hungry for office and enjoying the unwanted hotel fare to the fullest extent. All, or nearly all, is peace and harmony in the different camps.

Members have not yet met any rebuffs in the shape of pet bills mutilated or suppressed in committee or amended or voted down on the floor, but the time is coming. Bills are piling up in an astonishing manner; were all to be passed, one would not recognize the statutes of 1887 by looking at those of 1889. In the house yesterday morning the unruffled calm was broken by a pass-at-arms between Berlin and Douglas, of Douglas county, relative to the commitment of the Omaha charter bill, which ended in Berlin's triumph.

The gallant warrior from Nebraska City must have been seized with a fit of absent mindedness or else intended to perpetrate a huge joke when he filled the house committee on privileges and elections with members whose seats are contested. It is plain to be seen the heathen Chinese are not the only people whose ways are peculiar.

Satchell and White, of Cass, in the house have each a chairmanship; the former, revenue and taxation; the latter, on school lands and funds. So you will notice, the senator and each representative from Cass each have a committee.

The senate has been a quiet body for the last day or two, occasioned by the death of Senator Lindsay's only son. The prayer of the Senate Chaplain, Rev. Tait, Wednesday, in which he touchingly alluded to the senator's loss, was a classic gem. Taking advantage of an early adjournment yesterday, several of the senators living within one hundred miles of Lincoln went home for the night; many, however, remained. Senator Ransom, of Otoe, played Paxton, of Omaha, all the afternoon, with documents, statutes and any amount of talk; they would make a good combination, those two statesmen from the banks of the Great Muddy.

It was rumored yesterday that White, of Cass, in the house, intends introducing a resolution in the house similar to the one introduced in the senate by Pope, of Saline, restricting employees to days actually put in working for the legislature, as a basis upon which to draw salary. One clerk, who lives at a point two hundred miles distant from Lincoln, remarked that under this rule he would draw nine dollars compensation for last week's work, although to do so, he was obliged to be on expense the entire week. This question has more than one side, and it may be candid investigation will show that, whatever may have been the design of the movers of the resolution, the effect is to perpetrate an injustice on those in the employ of the state.

We notice around the city and in the corridors of the capitol: Geo. Ashmun, Weeping Water; J. H. King and J. W. Ball, former city editors of the HERALD; Wm. Shryock, Louisville; Mayor Richey, M. O'Donahoe and J. L. Root, of Plattsmouth; M. Covey, Elmwood; also, formerly of Plattsmouth: McIntosh, Omaha; F. M. Dornington, Chadron; Jno. Barnes, York. Jesse Burnett and J. F. Polk, of Greenwood are here as members of the State Bee convention, now in session in this city. We understand Ball, Ashmun and Root have positions in the senate.

TRANSIENT.

Various opinions were expressed this morning in regard to the indications of the "sun dogs" which were visible for some time in the skies. Several were of the opinion that they were an omen of extremely cold and disagreeable weather. For some time the sun was hidden behind heavy clouds which formed themselves into a shape similar to those of a cyclone, and the terrible thoughts of the late Pittsburgh and Reading disasters would arise before them. After several authorities had been sought, Mr. Geo. W. Vass, the astronomer and jeweler was then interviewed, and his opinion was accepted. He said that his comet got tangled up with the sun dogs and bad results would follow. His legend, "Geo. W. Vass, astronomer and jeweler" which he claimed appeared on the tail of the comet, was not visible by the naked eye today.

—Mrs. W. A. Boeck narrowly escaped being burned to death this morning while tampering with a gasoline stove. While she was near the stove it exploded, and before she could extinguish the flames the fire caught the paper on the wall and light fabrics in the vicinity. She managed to summon the Misses Gering, and the three ladies with strenuous efforts succeeded in putting out the fire. Mrs. B. received several bad burns about the hands and arms, and was slightly disfigured by the loss of some of her hair. Fortunately for her her clothes did not ignite, or her rescue would have been impossible.

District Court News.

In the District court several decisions were handed down this morning by Judge Chapman; after which court adjourned *sine die*.

In the case of Mary Delorac vs. Geo. R. Conna and others, the court found for the plaintiff, Mary Delorac. That the conveyance made to her by defendants, H. S. and Elizabeth Safford, must be upheld; also that the pretended conveyance from Elizabeth Stafford to Geo. R. Conna is a forgery and null and void. This decree gives one hundred acres of valuable real estate near the town of Weeping Water to Miss Delorac. Messrs. Windham & Davies, and Byron Clark, for defendants; and E. H. Wooley for plaintiff.

In the case of the last will and testament of Eliza Jane Mathews, appealed from the county court, the findings were in favor of admitting the will to probate and that the testator was of a sound and disposing mind at the time of the execution of the will. Mr. Ramsey for proponent of the will, and Mr. Sullivan for contestant.

In the case of A. E. Alexander vs. Plattsmouth city in which plaintiff seeks to recover some \$3,000 from the city on account of the appropriation of the city, upon which plaintiff claims a tax lien, for avenue purposes, the court held that plaintiff could not sustain said action until she had first exhausted, if she had any lien, the real estate which has not been appropriated by the city. The testimony showing that a valuable portion of said lots yet remained unappropriated. Byron Clark for the city; Mr. Vannatta for the plaintiff.

In the case of Burris vs. C. E. Wescott the injunction was vacated and plaintiff's petition dismissed with costs, the court holding that the weight evidence was in favor of defendant. In this case the plaintiff sought to restrain the defendant from prosecuting an action in Iowa in the name of a third party for the purpose of attaching plaintiff's wages for debt, the same being exempt under the law of Nebraska. Mr. Wooley for plaintiff and Mr. Byron Clark for defendant.

Several other rulings and decisions were rendered which we are unable to give today.

Died.

The daughter of Chas. Spangler living two and three quarter miles south of town, died last night of membranous croup, aged one year and seven months. The funeral will take place tomorrow from the United Brethren church, at 1 o'clock, and the remains will be interred in the cemetery near by the church.

Timothy Clark, Coal and Wood, South third street. Telephone 13.

HERRMANN'S Annual Clearance Sale!

Prior to Invoicing Feb. First We Will Give
SPECIAL LOW PRICES!

In Order to Clear Up Our Odds and Ends
in our Different Departments.

Special Bargains in
BLANKETS AND CLOAKS!

FRED HERRMANN,

ONE DOOR EAST FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

PERSONALS.

Mr. F. Gorder was in Omaha yesterday.

Mr. O. P. Barnell is in Omaha today.

Mr. W. D. Jones, is in Omaha today.

Mrs. Walker was a passenger to Omaha this morning.

Mr. J. H. Cox is in Council Bluffs today on business.

Mrs. Lees, of Bird City, Kas., is the guest of Mrs. A. Rosier.

Mr. C. A. Weaver, of Spencer, Ia., is the guest of Mr. A. Rosier.

Mr. C. H. Smith, who came to the city yesterday on business, returned to Omaha this morning.

Mayor Richey, who has been at Lincoln for a short time, returned to the city yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Upham, of Boston, who visited at the home of Mrs. Isham yesterday, left for Omaha this morning.

Senator Polk, who has been attending legislature at Lincoln, arrived in the city by the flyer yesterday afternoon.

Mr. G. F. Hines, of Bird City, Kas., who visited his sister, Mrs. A. Rosier, yesterday, returned home this morning.

Miss Kit Stadelmann who has been visiting friends at Council Bluffs and Omaha for the past week, returned by the flyer yesterday afternoon.

Hon. C. J. Bowly, of Crete, arrived in the city last night, the guest of Mr. S. Waugh. He and Mr. Waugh were passengers to Omaha this morning.

—The hundreds of men in the employ of the B. & M. here were made happy yesterday by the appearance of the long talked of "pay car," and nearly every merchant in the city was cheered up last night by the welcome voice of the toilers who inquired "How much do I owe you." Hundreds of men are made as happy on pay day as their children at Christmas, but as a rule it only lasts for a day. In all probability about one quarter of the number if not more, started to work on another month this morning "dead broke," and few would be happy if they missed "blowing in" their earnings. The shop men, are a good portion foreigners, and we are sorry to say that they are the people who have money to show at the end of the year for their labor, and all of them who have worked here for any length of time are provided with homes. This cannot be said of but few of the Americans.

Tuesday next another fifty-six piece tea set will be given away at the Tea Store. A big roast for tomorrow. Javaz, &c., &c.

Clearance Sale!

At a Great Reduction in our Complete Line of

BOOTS AND SHOES!

He will give you "CASH" Prices that will defy Competition for

THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS

In order to make room for Spring Goods.

Men's Arctics for 85 Cents.

Other warm goods in same proportion.

MANUFACTURING AND REPAIRING

Done at a Low Price.

W. A. BOECK & CO.

THE ASTRONOMERS ASTONISHED!

It is Believed the Earth Will be Destroyed Within the Next Six Months.

THE CHINESE IN CONVULSIONS

They Believe the Earth Will Be Burned into Ashes.

Tremendous Comet in the Heavens

A terrible ball of fire has recently been discovered in the Heavens, and is said to be approaching the Earth at the rate of one hundred and seven million miles per day. Astronomers are somewhat alarmed as to the direction in which it is centered, and tell us that if it does not change its course, it will surely be the destruction of the earth. It is estimated to be twelve times larger than the great planet Jupiter, which is the largest planet of the Universe. Astronomers tell us it will soon be visible to the people of this continent. It can be easily observed by the people of China and it is said that the Chinese by close observation have discovered upon the tail of the great comet printed in roman letters

George W. Vass, the only scientific Jeweler residing in Plattsmouth.

Citizens, I am yours Fraternally,

GEORGE W. VASS,
Astronomer and Jeweler.

Notice to Water Consumers.

All bills aside from the lawn service were due Jan. 1st. These bills must be paid by Feb. 1st, at our office in Henry Boeck's store.

THE PLATTSMOUTH WATER CO.

WHAT ON EARTH

Is the reason people will not, can not, or do not see any difference in cheap nostrums put up by Cheap John houses or irresponsible parties at enormous profits, rather than take a medicine of world wide reputation and one that is giving universal satisfaction at equal price? No medicine in the world is giving such unparalleled satisfaction for purifying the blood as BEGG'S BLOOD PURIFIER & BLOOD MAKER, and every bottle that does not do its work will cost you nothing. For sale by O. P. Smith & Co., druggists.

The City Meat Market is the best place to buy fresh meats, pork chops, poultry and game of all kinds.

HOW CAN PARENTS

allow their children to cough and strain and cough and cough and say: "Oh! it is only a little cold," and keep giving them cheap and dangerous medicines, until they are down with lung fever or consumption, when they can be so easily relieved by BEGG'S CHERRY COUGH SYRUP? It has no superior, and few equals. For sale by O. P. Smith & Co., druggists.

Plenty of feed, flour, graham and meal at Heisel's mill. If

COUGH! and COUGH! and COUGH!
What in the world is the reason you will cough and keep coughing and still keep trying inferior medicines when BEGG'S CHERRY COUGH SYRUP will positively relieve your cough at once? This is no advertising scheme, but an actual fact, and we guarantee it. Sold by O. P. Smith & Co., druggists.