

## LOST HIS IDENTITY.

Judge Clarkson Returns to His Omaha Home.

## HIS HEALTH IS GOOD.

His Health Had Effected His Mind and He Had Wandered Like a Tramp—Working for Ten Cents an Hour.

Everything Was Blank. Judge Clarkson who it was supposed was drowned last July returned Saturday afternoon.

In speaking of the sudden departure from Omaha and his failure to let his family know his whereabouts Judge Clarkson said to a World Herald reporter:

"I don't know to what to ascribe my action. I think I must ascribe it in the first instance to trouble with one of my eyes last winter. From the time I had the trouble it seemed to me as if my brain was weakening.

"What happened to me at Honey Creek I do not know. The first recollection that I had of who I was and what I was at Clinton, Ia. The day I am not certain of, but it was on Sunday. I knew I had partially walked and partially ridden there. I knew who I was, but I had not the slightest disposition to return home. I knew that I was from Omaha. I knew in a general way that I was from Omaha, but Chicago (my former home) seemed uppermost in my mind.

"My one desire was to get a position as a laborer. I spent a day in Clinton and visited the farms in that vicinity in search of employment, but did not obtain it.

"I did not want to be recognized and I wanted to appear as young as possible. I found in my pockets some two or three dollars in money. I bought a razor and shaved off my whiskers. I walked from Clinton to near Sabula and that night obtained employment. I worked on the farm there for a while.

"I went from Sabula upon Mississippi river work, and worked on some government work. It was hard work. From there I went back to Clinton, I reached there August 18.

"I left Omaha, you say, July 20. The date at Clinton was the first I can tell you."

The name Judge Clarkson gave while he was wandering was Brad Doolittle. In explanation he says that he thought this was his name. "I hired out at Clinton to C. Lamb & Sons in their lumber yard, and have worked there ever since, up to last Thursday. I had at that time received assurances from Latham Lamb of the firm, that he would get me a place in a lumber camp in northern Wisconsin or Minnesota and was undecided whether to go there or go down the river and work on the Mississippi. Outdoor work was my idea. I never sought work in a store. I wanted to work out of doors."

"Perhaps that was the medicine your then sick mind need," suggested a friend.

"Perhaps it was—just as a dog eats grass," the judge replied with a smile. He went on then to narrate his experience and said: "I had seen an advertisement asking for 500 laborers for government work along the Mississippi at \$26 a month and board.

"Thursday I took my time. When I was vacillating between the north and south as a labor ground the idea of going home first suggested itself. The idea kept getting stronger and stronger until it ended in my starting for home.

"I had known that I had a home and that my family were all here, but it did not seem my place here. That had been my idea. I had read the Chicago papers once or twice a week. I had seen nothing in any of them about myself. Until I saw Major Clarkson this morning I knew nothing of the situation in Omaha or what had transpired here. When I was on a farm I was completely agitated out at noon and night for the first four or five days, and I would sit about or go to bed.

"I bought my ticket when I decided upon coming home Thursday to Cedar Rapids. I was going to stop over at Cedar Rapids so as to reach here at night, and I thought I would come up and look into the windows and see my family before making myself known.

"Had you any idea how long you had been away?"

"I knew that time had passed, but it did not seem to me half a day. I have had no moral sentiment whatever about coming home—no such excitement as I use to have in coming home from a little trip in the country.

"I bought my ticket to Cedar Rapids, as I told you. But on reaching there it occurred to me that it would be better to keep on through,

and I bought a ticket for home there and stayed on the same train. I decided to apprise Major Clarkson of my return and that is what I did."

He went on to say that when he left Omaha he had bought a cheap suit of clothes at a clothing store and took them with him to Honey Creek, where he put them on after leaving the suit that he usually wore in the boat and walked away from the shore. He does not know when or how he got to Clinton, except that as he says, he rode part way and walked part way. He remembers reaching Missouri Valley. The impulse to go away was not a sudden one. It had been growing on him as he had felt himself growing weaker after the operation on the eye and the cocaine and had dreaded a break down of body and then of mind.

He had felt for some time that his health was breaking down and that he should be a helpless charge on his family, and though he had not told them this, it had worried him. All this feeling came to him after the severe treatment of his eyes. While his eyes had improved under the treatment his general health had grown poor.

Judge Clarkson had an excellent practice when he left. Asked about his plans for the future, he said, he had not thought of them, but if it were necessary he could begin at the bottom and build up practice again.

Judge Clarkson's friends console themselves for their distress over his long and hitherto unexplained absence with the belief that his impulse to leave his office and lead an out-door life was to regain his bodily and then his mental soundness.

The administrators appointed for Judge Clarkson's estate were so convinced that he had drowned that last Wednesday they sent on their claim, with proofs of death, to the Mutual Reserve Fund company in which he had been insured for \$10,000. Besides this, he carried \$10,000 in the Equitable and \$2,500 in another company, and claims were being prepared in these instances also.

A strange coincidence is that the law partner of Judge Clarkson's father some years ago did almost identically the same thing while in a temporary fit of aberration.

## Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Governor Boyd Monday afternoon issued his Thanksgiving proclamation, calling upon the state of Nebraska to devote Thursday, November 24, to a day of thanksgiving for the many blessings of the year. It is Governor Boyd's first and last proclamation of the kind and is as follows:

Another year is well nigh ended the seasons have run their course; the harvest has redeemed the promise of seedtime; the winter's store attests to plenty; industry and thrift, the handmaidens of prosperity, have been bounteously rewarded; peace has been preserved to our people; content smiles upon us and all is well with our state. The beneficence of Providence has been bestowed upon us, not only in material respects, but also in those relative blessings which accrue from the absence of evil. The dread cholera plague was stayed at the portals of our nation; stress of storm and flood have not been upon us, and disaster's mailed hand has not fallen upon the land.

We, therefore, as a people, rejoicing in our well conditioned existence as a state, progressive, prosperous and happy as an integral part of the most glorious nation on earth should be properly moved to a season of thanksgiving.

In conformity, therefore, with the commendation of the president of the United States, I, James E. Boyd, governor of the commonwealth of Nebraska, do hereby set apart Thursday, the 24th day of Nov. as a day to be observed for the giving of thanks; to the singing of psalms of praise; to the offering of prayers and the working of deeds of good will to mankind, and to the observance of the day in a proper and fitting manner. On that day let our people lay aside all secular occupation and in manner as conscience dictates, render unto Supreme Providence thanksgiving for mercies received, with invocations for continued blessing.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the state, at Lincoln, the capital city of Nebraska, this 14th day of November, A. D. 1892, the twenty-sixth year of the state, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and seventeenth. JAMES E. BOYD,

By the governor.  
JOHN C. ALLEN,  
Secretary of State.

Deputy Sheriff John Tighe, W. D. Jones and J. I. Unruh left this morning for Hastings with five insane people. There were two men and three women.

## MUNICIPAL BUSINESS.

More Work Done Last Night Than Heretofore.

## ANOTHER ARCH LIGHT.

Councilman Graves Claims There is Work Going on "Under the Hat"—The O'Donahue Matter is Settled.

## How the Dads Work.

The council met at the council chamber Monday night after a long and needed rest. Promptly at 7:30 the mayor called the council to order all members were present, except Minor.

The minutes of the last meeting were read approved. A petition was read, numerous signed asking the council to place an arch light at the corner of Eighth and Day street. The prayer of petition was granted and the clerk ordered to notify the Light company to put up said arch light.

A petition was read from a number of citizens asking for an alley in block 223. The petition was referred to street, alleys and bridges committee.

A petition from a number of Fifth ward citizens asking the council to have a crossing put in on Patterson avenue and Clinton street referred to street, alleys and bridges committee.

The O'Donahue matter was settled last night after hanging fire a long time. The plot for the right-of-way has been filed with the city clerk as ordered and on motion of D. M. Jones was accepted and a warrant for \$50 in favor of O'Donahue was ordered drawn.

At the last meeting of the council McMaken & Son were informed that if they would furnish a bond for the payment of the hydrant rental, the mains would be extended one block north on Eleventh street. Last night McMaken furnished bond in the sum of \$75. Murphy moved it be referred to the judiciary committee. Lake amended that the bond be accepted and the mains ordered laid. The amendment was lost and the bond was referred to the judiciary committee.

Councilman Graves introduced a resolution which was carried, ordering sidewalk to be laid in front of lot 111, owned by Harry Barthold.

An abstract of title for twenty-three acres lying near the fair grounds and owned by Henry Eikenbary was in the hands of the city clerk last night. The land was taken inside of the city several years ago without Mr. Eikenbary knowing anything about it and he now asks the council to change the city limits so that it will leave his land outside.

Mr. Murphy said that the council should grant the request that the land had never been subdivided and that it was all in one piece.

Mr. Steincker said he was informed that the city limits extended east and south of said tract and that he was opposed to setting that piece of ground outside of the city limits when there were lots on all sides.

The matter was finally referred to the judiciary committee with instructions to report at the next regular meeting.

The report of chief of police and police judge was read and referred to the police committee.

Treasurer report was read and referred to the finance committee.

The claim committee reported favorably on the claim of the fire department for \$20 and unfavorable on the claim of Dr. E. D. Cumins for \$6.50. The report of the claims committee was accepted.

The following bills were reported favorable by the finance committee:

Kiddow Bros., washing streets	4.25
Y. L. R. K. A. rent	6.00
St. Archer, undelivered fees	2.50
J. M. Leyda, registrar	15.00
Fred Black, " "	15.00
Wm. Slater, " "	15.00
J. K. Denson, special police	2.00
C. S. Polk, witness fees	15.00
Mrs. Drummond, policy	3.20
Nozzenlen, Shipman fire	15.00
Frank Morgan, salary	30.75
A. C. Mayer, " "	48.25
Plattsmouth Gas & Electric Light Co.	324.35
World-Herald, printing	15.00
Gow, printing	2.00
Chas. Harvey, hand work	25.00
J. M. Wroth, hand work	15.75
John Fitzpatrick, salary	40.00
Peter Kauen, " "	9.85
John Janda, team work	4.00
Sam Kline, team work	14.25
John Jenna, hand work	22.50
L. Jordan, special police	2.00
John McLaughlin, special police	2.00
M. Hunt, hauling dead dog	2.00
J. H. Thrasher, special police	2.00
Elas Kiddow, " "	2.00
Jas. Grace, salary	50.00
Geo. Poissal, team work	41.30
Nelson Agard bik	15.15
J. Stull, team work	48.00
J. K. Denson, special police	2.00
News, printing	48.00
Waterman & Son, coal	4.50
Ed Bates, team work	39.00
Frank Poissal, salary	34.00
A. H. Black, " "	4.50
J. H. Graves, wood	4.50
State Journal, printing	6.00
Geo. Bates, hand work	25.50
A. K. Straight, registrar	2.00
John McLaughlin, hand work	21.75
Robert Johnson, " "	24.00
Jas. Swoboda, " "	10.80
Ed O'Rourke, registrar and rent	15.00
J. H. Graves, " "	25.00
Henry Baher, registrar	15.00
Tom Walling, " "	15.00
T. S. Clifford, " "	15.00
Chas. Grassman, " "	15.00
C. Coleman, filing saw	2.25
J. W. Hendee, hardware	2.45

The finance committee reported on the bill of Jas. Grace it be al-

lowed less \$600, which had been paid for a substitute. After some discussion the bill was allowed in full. Also favorable on the bill of Geo. Poissal less \$20.00, which it was claimed by the finance committee had been paid Poissal by Sampson and that the city had also paid it. Mr. Graves claimed that there was work going on under "the hat," and that he would like to have the council informed of it.

The matter Mr. Graves had reference to was explained as follows by the street commissioner: "Lincoln avenue was ordered filled up by the council and the dirt was being hauled from Sixth street. Mr. Sampson had a lot that he wanted the dirt taken from and he paid \$20 to the street commissioner for doing the work. The dirt only had to be hauled a few feet from Mr. Sampson lot, where, if they hauled it from Sixth street it was several blocks. Two teams were put to work, one the city paid for, and one Mr. Poissal, himself paid for." Mr. Graves wanted the matter investigated so Mr. Jones of the Second moved that the committee on streets, alleys and bridges investigate. Graves amended by adding the city attorney. The mayor refused to recognize the amendment and Graves moved another amendment that a special committee be appointed, but he received no second, the original motion carried.

Mr. Steimpke said that Cummins & Son had the contract for furnishing the city with lumber and that he understood that lumber was being purchased at other yards and that he was opposed to such work.

Lake moved that the mayor and clerk be instructed to enter into contract with Cummins & Son. Carried.

The paving subject came before the council and Murphy moved that the board of public works be instructed to set the curbing, and that they also put in the paving as soon as possible. Carried.

On motion the council adjourned.

The personified programme is a variation of the Greek idea of a chorus to announce and explain coming events in a performance. The first requisite is a pretty, slender girl in Greek profile. A suggestively classic costume may be made of white cheese-cloth draped as seen in pictures of Greek costumes, with metallic clasps to hold the folds in place over the shoulders. This drapery may be worn over a white dress, provided the sleeves are not too long and the neck not too prominently high. The hair should be bound with narrow white or gold-colored ribbon, following the many examples of head-dressing to be seen in illustrated books on pottery, art, or Greece. If an antique-shaped chair cannot be had, throw some soft-colored drapery over a modern chair, to hide its outlines. Place the chair near a table, also draped. The lady should announce each part of the performance, in a clear, distinct, and loud voice.—From "Artistic Notes," in Demorest's Family Magazine for December.

## MURDOCK.

L. Weitzel took a trip to Lincoln Thursday.

F. Wolfe is painting his residence this week, and building a barn.

A large number of workmen are at work at the building of the state bank of Murdock.

There is to be a great deal of sport to be had on the 23rd inst., the day of the shooting match.

Mrs. W. Lau and Mrs. H. Gage-meir are both on the sick list, both being attended to by Dr. Freidday of Ashland.

E. T. Tool took another trip to Iowa in regard to the estate of his father-in-law deceased, over which he is administrator.

Rev. Jacobs of Greenwood preached again last Sunday to a large audience in the depot. We would invite everybody that understands the English language to come out and hear the eloquent preacher in two weeks.

A supplement to the Daily Times of South Bend, Ind., was received by your scribe through his brother there in consequence of the democratic victory in that state. It gives the photographs of national, state and county candidates all in red ink.

C. Radke lost his bet on the president and in consequence has to wheel F. Sheve on a wheel-barrow from his place, two miles northwest of Murdock to this place. Two gentlemen are to escort the party and bear witness to the true fulfillment of the agreement.

A birthday party was given in honor of little Neira Eveland on the 15th it being the Twelfth anniversary of her arrival in the home of her parents. A large number of her little friends being invited and present, and many were the nice and useful presents given her on this occasion.

"Crown cough cure warranted to cure by Brown & Barrett.

## HIS SEAT CONTESTED.

Speaker Elder is Liable to be Retired.

## HER FAREWELL PARTY.

An Omaha Man Yesterday Ended His Earthly Existence by Sending a Bullet Crashing Through His Brain.

## An Election Contest.

It was no secret at the state house yesterday that there is to be a little nativity in store for one of Nebraska's most noted leaders among the independent party, being no other than the well-known S. M. Elder of Clay county says the Lincoln Journal who achieved fame as speaker of the last house of representative and who worked so manfully for a bill providing for the extermination of the round and ponderous tumble weed which rolls to and fro about the country without even gathering moss. Unlike some events of the last legislature this proposed nativity refers to politics alone. It appears from reports that in his arduous to be returned to the next house, Mr. Elder received the nomination from an independent convention, or as Mart Howe would say a people's independent convention. Then endorsed by democrats, but in an evil hour the Clay county ballots were voted with Mr. Elder's name printed twice upon one, first as an independent and second as a democrat.

According to the latest authority the matter will come before the supreme court this afternoon, the petitioners asking such relief as may be equitable. It is claimed that the entire Clay county vote should be thrown out so far as the legislative ticket is concerned. If such a step is found legal a republican senator will come from Hamilton county, the balance of the senatorial district. At any rate there is legal trouble in store for Mr. Elder.

## Killed Himself.

Monday morning Geo. W. Hall of Omaha, shot himself through the head, from the effect of which he died in a short time.

Last Saturday morning Mr. Hall suddenly disappeared from his home and the matter along with a complete description of the man was left with the police. Every effort possible was made by the detectives to locate the missing man in Omaha, but they could not find him for the very good reason that he was not in the city. The deceased returned to his home shortly before 5 o'clock Sunday morning and spent the day with his family, offering no explanation as to his absence.

Monday morning without saying a word to anyone, Mr. Hall entered one of the servants' rooms on the third floor, closed the door, sat down in a willow rocking chair and fired the fatal shot.

The weapon used was a new Colts 44-calibre revolver. Evidently the muzzle of the weapon had been pressed close against the right temple before the trigger had been touched. The body fell from the chair and lay on its left side, with the right hand under.

Close to the right hand and with the shining muzzle just peeping out from under the coat sleeve lay the revolver. Blood was spattered on the carpet in front of the chair and a great pool of the crimson fluid stained the floor under his head. On the forehead and temple the blood had clotted and dried.

## A Farewell Gathering.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clebroot, on Rock street, the friends of Mrs. Campbell gathered and tendered her a farewell surprise Saturday evening. Mrs. Campbell received a nice rocking chair from her friends and an elegant gold watch from her husband. Those who were present are Mr. and Mrs. Pearleman, Mr. and Mrs. Clebroot, Mesdames Hayes, Wheaton, Day and A. C. Jones; Misses Anzie Adams, Bertha Tidd, Minnie, Nellie and Maggie Dray; Messrs. John and Archie Adams, Ferrier, Hindbled, Hedland, Sherfey, Sol and Cassius Tidd.

Mrs. Campbell left last night for Lincoln to visit a few days and then goes to St. Joseph, Mo., to spend the winter.

## List of Letters.

The following letter list remaining in the post office for the past week ending November 9th, 1892.

Brown, Fannie  
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Easton, Mrs. M. A.  
Hibler, S. H.  
Jones, J.  
Keyson, Lafayette  
McLellan, Wm.  
Niece, Fannie  
O'Brien, J. M.  
Pallik, Fannie  
Seward, Katie  
Young, Bertha

Persons calling for the above will please say "advertised."

H. J. STREIGHT, P. M.

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JOHN T. MELODY,  
of MELODY BROTHERS, Wyandotte, Mich.

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Probate Notice.

In the matter of the estate of John C. Rakes deceased.

In the county court of Cass county Neb. Notice is hereby given that Benjamin Allen administrator of the estate of the said John C. Rakes deceased, has made application for final settlement, and that said cause is set for hearing at my office at Plattsmouth, on the 24th day of November, A. D. 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m., on said day at which time and place all persons interested may be present and examine said accounts.

Plattsmouth Nov. 7th. County Judge.

## Reference Sale.

Francis N. Gibson vs. Silas H. H. Clark, et al. Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an order confirming and approving the report of the undersigned referees, made by the district court of Cass county, Nebraska, in the above entitled cause, we will sell at public auction at the south door of the court house in the city of Plattsmouth, in said county, on the 24th day of November, 1892, at 2 o'clock p. m., on said day, the following described real estate, situated in Cass county, Nebraska, to wit:

The west half of the northwest quarter of section two (2) in township No. ten (10) north of range No. eleven (11) east of the 6th p. m.

Sale to remain one hour for the reception of bids. Terms of sale cash.

J. M. PATTERSON,  
F. M. WOLCOTT,  
GEO. W. ADAMS,  
Referees.

## Notice.

John Leach, defendant, will take notice that on the 30th day of October, 1892, Selwyn Kinkaid, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Cass county, Nebraska against the defendants, John Leach, William Neville and Mrs. William Neville, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mechanic's lien on the south half of lots 5 and 6, block 25, 11th street, Neb., which said lots and the sum of \$1000 and interest from Jan. 22, 1891, due on said lien, and plaintiff asks for a decree that defendants pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount of said debt and that he be required to answer said petition on or before the 5th day of December, 1892.

Dated October 30, 1892.

By BEESON & Root, his attorneys.

## Legal Notice.

In the district court of Cass county, Nebraska.

In the matter of the application of Henry Ahl and Abram B. Walradt as executors, to sell real estate of the estate of George Walradt, deceased.

This cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Henry Ahl and Abram B. Walradt, executors of the last will and testament of George Walradt, deceased, praying for license to sell the north half of the northwest quarter of section 20, town 12, range 12, Cass county, Nebraska, and the northwest quarter of section 17, town 12, range 12, Cass county, Nebraska, or sufficient amount of the same (bearing the sum of \$1,200.00 for the payment of debts allowed against said estate) legacies and the cost of administration, there not being sufficient personal property to pay said debts and expenses. It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in said estate appear before me at the office of the clerk of the district court at Plattsmouth on the 23rd day of December, 1892, at 2 o'clock p. m., to show cause why a license should not be granted to said administrators to sell so much of the above described real estate of said deceased as shall be necessary to pay said debts and expenses and that service of this order be made by publication for three weeks in THE PLATTS- MOUTH HERALD.

Dated this 3rd day of November, 1892.  
BEESON & Root, attorneys for estate.  
J. A. NIELSEN, Notary Public.  
Judge of the District Court.