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Has an Alaskan Fortune.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Stanley, accompanied by their son and daughter, passed through the city yesterday afternoon on their way to Villisca, Ia. Mr. Stanley is a recent arrival from the Klondike region. His home is in Seattle, where he arrived on July 16, after a trip of twenty-seven days. He went to Alaska in the spring of 1896. He secured a claim up on the Stewart river, and being a practical miner with plenty of experience soon had it on a paying basis. The Klondike strike, however, seemed such a sure thing that when he went to Dawson City and heard of it he decided to change claims. He went out about seven and a half miles and took a claim which has proven one of the best in that region. He and his son and two Warden's, father and son, formed a partnership. They commenced buying up claims and soon had seven and a half to their credit. Mr. Stanley said yesterday that they had been offered \$1,500,000 for one of the claims. They refused to sell it, however. Since Mr. Stanley left the Klondike region he says he has received a letter from his son which stated the firm of Stanley & Warden had secured a half interest in claims 21 and 32, both considered very valuable pieces of property. The son wrote that he had paid \$40,000 for one and \$75,000 for the other. Mr. Stanley said he did not bring out very much gold with him, only about 100 pounds, which assayed \$20,000. He had a few simple nuggets, which made the average Nebraskan who saw them stare. One about the size of a small size chestnut was valued at \$10. He said that he expected to return to Alaska next March. In the meantime he expected to devote his labors to the building of four small steamers, which will ply back and forth on Lake Lincoln, near Bennet, Toka, Marsh and LeBerge. The steamers will run to the rapids, two plying above and two below. They can run a distance of 700 miles. Mr. Stanley says that when men walk out now in twenty-seven days he thinks with the assistance of the steamers they can make it in half the time. Mr. Stanley said he had excellent health while in Alaska and his appearance bears him out. He said he came very near having the scurvy once, but managed to escape it. He said he did not suffer from the cold at any time, but he was prepared for it.

Death of James Ritchie.

A brief notice of the death of James Ritchie appeared in THE NEWS of yesterday. The deceased was forty-two years of age, and had been in the employ of the B. & M. for fifteen years. He was foreman of the machine shop here for four years, foreman at McCook for six years, and assistant master mechanic of the Wyoming division for five years with headquarters at the time of his death at Sheridan. The immediate cause of dissolution was throat trouble. The remains will be brought here for interment at 6:15 this evening. The funeral will take place in the residence of J. A. Gutschalk at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow, and at 2:30 from the Episcopal church. The deceased leaves a wife and three or four children to mourn the great loss they have suffered. The following master mechanics have been wired by Superintendent Hawksworth to attend the funeral: Robert Ballance, Denver; R. B. Archibald, McCook; A. B. Pierce, Wynore; E. S. Grousel, Havelock; Rob Smith, Lincoln, and J. P. Reardon, Alliance.

INFORMATION AND OPINIONS.

Once in a while science makes a center shot, and it resounds around the world. Professor Bridges of Boston says that dyspepsia is an undoubted cause for dyspepsia. Now that scientists know what is the matter with them it is to be hoped that we shall hear no more of their growling.—State Journal.

"The biggest schooner in the world," says a Brunswick, Ga. paper, "headed out of Brunswick on Sunday for New York, carrying the biggest cargo of crocodiles ever loaded on a vessel. The monster freight schooner is the Frank A. Palmer, of Bath, Me., and she broke all previous records by carrying 33,400 crocodiles, or the equivalent of 1,500,000 feet of lumber. The Palmer is a four-masted vessel with a tonnage capacity of 1,787, several hundred tons larger than ordinary New York steamers that run south. All her sails are hoisted by steam, and her cabin is fitted up like a palace. She sailed from Brunswick drawing 22 feet. Brunswick is the only cross-tie exporting port in the world that she could load ties at, and her record-breaker is an eye opener. It required two tugboats to take her out, when one is accustomed to handling an ordinary schooner easily.

A federal judge on the Pacific coast has decided that the wives and children of Chinamen in business in this country do not need certificates to enable them to enter the United States.

A dispatch from Richmond, Va., says: "In the police court today Mrs. M. J. Hain, a well known and pretty lady of this city, was placed under a bond of \$300 to keep the peace for being a common scold. This is the first time such a judgment has been rendered in this part of the state for more than a quarter of a century possibly."

Dr. Bertha V. Thompson has just been appointed city physician of Oshkosh, Wis. She is the first woman to hold the office of city physician in the state of Wisconsin.

In some parts of Devonshire the people live to a very old age. A old man of ninety, living quite a distance from the nearest town, requiring some family doctor's son, his son, a man of some seventy-odd years of age. When the son failed to show up with the provisions in time, his grandfather, a centenarian of his own parish, said: "That's what comes from sending a kid."—Tit Bits.

Commissioners' Proceedings.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Oct. 5.—Board met pursuant to adjournment, present, J. P. Falter, J. C. Hayes and Geo. W. Young, county commissioners; and James Robertson, county clerk. Minutes of last session read and approved, when the following claims were allowed in the general fund: J. P. Falter, salary and express, \$ 23 80 J. C. Hayes, same, 31 00 J. C. Hayes, taking insane man to Pennsylvania, 66 50 Geo. W. Young, salary, 25 75 Jas. Robertson, salary and express and work on tax list, 369 76 Geo. L. Farley, salary, 102 00 A. J. Graves, salary and expense, 250 00 B. J. Hempel, janitor, 50 00 E. E. Hilton, work on records, 32 00 S. P. Holloway, boarding prisoners and jailor fees, 112 00 City of Plattsmouth, gas to county, 7 30 W. K. Fox, postal cards, 5 00 State Journal Co., supplies, 33 12 Plattsmouth Journal, printing, 1 65 C. E. Wescott & Son, merchandise to jail, 5 75 J. C. Smith, keeping pauper, 10 00 Mrs. R. E. Young, same, 8 10 A. L. Upham, same, 9 00 Mrs. Dora Freshman, same, 18 06 M. Sulair, burying hog, 50 00 Lehigh Bros, mdse to county, 11 15 F. P. Sheldon, boarding pauper, 44 00 J. J. Swoboda, mdse to county, 14 00 Wockbach & Co, same, 24 50 F. S. White, same, 32 00 Wm Herold & Son, same, 3 85 N. H. Wilkinson, same, 8 10 P. A. Jacobson, same, 10 00 O. I. Axtell, same, 5 00 Stander Bros, same, 19 00 B. C. Maquardt, same, 15 08 L. B. Egenberger, same, 21 60 F. E. Auber, same, 10 00 Frank S. God, same, 5 00 A. Clark, same, 7 20 Aug. Bach, same, 13 00 F. P. Sheldon, same, 5 00 Wurl & Coffey, same, 18 10 F. J. Morgan, same, 19 75 F. S. Gold, same, 6 00 Zuckweiler & Lutz, 19 25 M. P. Railroad Co, ticket for papers, 2 60 J. K. Kiehlty, printing, 13 50 O. H. Snyder, mdse to county, 6 65 Hammond Bros, same, 4 00 Board adjourned to meet Oct. 6.

W. A. Rouse, sawing wood, \$ 4 00 W. J. White, coal to poor, 3 25 W. J. White, coal to county, 69 70 M. D. Polk, printing, 9 00 Matthew Geering, fees assigned, 13 80 S. F. Girardet, mdse to poor, 9 00 S. A. Davis, oil to poor house, 1 80 Road fund— Austin & Western Co, ser. pers, 306 65 Union Lumber Co, lumber, 282 10 Frank & Riegeway, lumber, 15 00 S. Parker, labor on road, 7 50 Root & Edmunds, lumber, 74 15 R. C. Lytle, blacksmithing, 5 00 High School fund— District 1, tuition fees, 58 50 District 95, same, 182 00 District 22, same, 207 50 District 36, same, 102 00 October 18—Full board present. Claims on general fund— J. P. Falter, sal and exp., 31 00 J. C. Hayes, same, 29 50 Geo. W. Young, same, 25 75 J. B. Mayfield, sawing wood, 5 50 Neb Tel Co, rents, 21 65 Plattsmouth city, paving taxes, 27 35 Platts Water Co, rents, 1 50 J. Grace, rent for paup., 7 40 J. P. Cook & Co, rubber stamps, 2 00 J. C. Coleman, wood to county, 44 00 M. J. Jarasak, mdse to poor, 5 00 G. Poissal, labor, 49 75 Road fund— F. Baldwin, blacksmith work, 4 00 J. H. Becker, same, 3 00 T. Furton, same, 3 00 H. P. Cook & Co, rubber stamps, 2 00 L. Neitzel, mdse to county, 1 35 C. Dehning, same, 3 80 A. F. Sturm, lumber, 91 80 J. W. Wiseman, work on road, 23 00 L. Schatz, bridge work, 18 00 E. E. Hilton, viewing road, 4 50 W. Troup, wire, 1 50

The board ordered that after this date no claims would be allowed on the high school fund, as no levy had been made for that purpose, the law having been declared unconstitutional. Petition and bond of A. Anderson for liquor at Cedar Creek was examined and approved, and the clerk ordered to issue license. Notice was received from G. Houseworth that Wallace Carter had been appointed deputy district clerk and the same was approved. Notice was received from H. Holloway that the appointment of F. A. Murphy as deputy sheriff had been canceled and the same approved. Board adjourned to meet on November 3. JAMES ROBERTSON, County Clerk.

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