

# THE LAW STEPPED IN

## Couple About to Leave City Taken in by the Officers of the Law.

### TO FACE CHARGE OF GRAND LARCENY.

#### Andy Brissey and Wife Arrested Last Night at M. P. Depot.

Last night as Andy Brissey and wife and their two little children were about to board the midnight train for the south, officers H. Trout and Captian Young swooped down on them and placed them under arrest and escorted them to the county jail. Andy was placed in jail and his wife and the children were detained upstairs in Deputy Manspeaker apartments. The complaint on which the arrest was made was sworn to by Peter Clause, and was filed with Judge Archer, late last night, just before the arrest was made, charging the accused man and his wife with grand larceny and with obtaining money under false pretense. The value of the goods taken being claimed to be over \$50.00.

Mr. Clause said concerning the matter, that yesterday afternoon Mrs. Brissey came to his store and wanted him to come out to the house and place a value on some household goods, with a view of buying, which Mr. Claus did, offering her \$26.00 for the goods consisting of a range, wardrobe, tables, cupboard, chairs and other articles, which she accepted at once. Mr. Clause sent right out for the goods and paid the money and had the goods in his store all in a short time. Some of the neighbors saw Mr. Claus at the house and afterwards saw the goods being moved to his place of business, and at once put Mr. Claus on the inquiry as to title. He learned from Mr. A. L. Tidd who rents the house that the goods in the dwelling were the property of Mrs. Tagg, who is in the hospital for the insane. Mr. Claus at once got busy and made a complaint before Judge Archer, and on going to the Brissey home sometime after night fall, found it deserted. He at once had the police force go to the M.P. depot as that was the only train on which the accused could get out of town on before morning. When the couple were apprehended, Brissey had all but \$1.00 of the amount paid his wife by Mr. Claus and he told the officers that he had expended the dollar in getting the trunks to the depot. The parties will be arraigned tomorrow, this being a legal holiday.

### PLATTSMOUTH SUCCEED AT LINCOLN CONTEST

#### Fred Dawson A Plattsmouth Turn- verine Takes Two Firsts.

Not alone in furnishing men for successful business enterprises is Plattsmouth successful, but also in the line of sports her home trained athletes are forging to the front and winning laurels from men in other parts of the state. It has long been known that the turnverine societies of Plattsmouth do most thorough work, and the fact was further emphasized this week when at the Y. M. C. A. contest at University Place, Fred Dawson, drilled in athletics in our own societies, carried off a silver medal for first on parallel bars, and Robert Hager second. Mr. Dawson also won first prize against the Lincoln Y. M. C. A. in January, and a second on poles.

#### Col. Dempster Here.

Col. John A. Dempster, of Omaha was in the city last evening and addressed the K. & L. of S. at their anniversary meeting.

Col. Dempster organized the first council here fourteen years ago. He came to Plattsmouth in January of that year, hired the Waterman hall and a brass band and delivered a lecture on the order and called for signatures, receiving seven applications that evening. The first to sign the list was Mrs. Col. J. H. Thrasher of this city.

### Y. M. C. A. Convention is an Interesting Session

Mr. Ben Windham who has been in attendance at the State Convention of the Y. M. C. A. delegates at University, since last Thursday returned home yesterday afternoon, having

imbibed some live ideas in regard to the movement and the benefits to be derived from the organization. The meetings were held in the largest M. E. church in Nebraska, there being 259 delegates present. The delegates met for a reception and banquet Thursday evening but the work of the association did not really commence until Friday morning. Rev. Howard A. Johnson, of Colorado Springs was the principal speaker and his talks were full of interest and were attentively listened to by the delegates. There were other noted speakers present to address the delegates, among them being H. T. Houser of St. Louis, who spoke on Committee work. J. N. Banks of St. Louis spoke on finances and methods. N. A. McNight, of Champaign, Ill. was an interesting speaker, E. T. Baily the St. Louis singer was present and sang several selections. The university quartett, one of the finest musical organizations in the state sang frequent numbers.

Mr. Windham was well pleased with all that he heard. Among the delegates present were 22 students, 8 railroad men representing the three railway Y. M. C. A's and 157 business men among them.

There has been some agitation concerning organizing at Plattsmouth and Mr. Windham had a talk with J. P. Baily of Omaha who will come here at any convenient time and assist in the organization.

#### Dr. Martin Lectures to Y. M. C. A.

Dr. J. B. Martin lectured before the Young Mens Bible Class of the M. E. Sunday School, at their rooms last evening on the subject of "First Aid" or "Emergencies". The lecture was a scholarly effort, replete with practical suggestions to be used in every day occurrences so frequently happening in the transactions of daily life.

Dr. Martin first dealt with the human body as a whole, and it's complex organism, incidentally referring to the many accidents to which the body is exposed, and which so frequently and unexpectedly occur. He then took up many of the more frequent mishaps to the individual and discussed the thing first to be done in case of the particular accident. Many valuable hints and suggestions were left with his auditors, which at any moment may be of service in saving the life of some one. It is a frequent thing when the unexpected happens that much relief can be afforded if the persons present did but know what to do till the Doctor arrived. The young men were indeed fortunate in procuring Dr. Martin to deliver the talk he did, and many expressions of appreciation on the part of the young men have been heard. The course this winter has been one of much interest, and the young men are showing their appreciation of the good thoughts brought to them.

### THE WILLIAM GREW PLAYERS.

Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone; so take the hint and come to the Parmele Theatre next Friday. Leave your cares and troubles behind, when you come and prepare to thoroughly enjoy your self, and if you don't leave the theatre with a good feeling in your heart for all mankind, "The Man From Mexico," has lost it's charm and you are one in a thousand that this merry farce comedy has failed to tickle.

From the time the curtain rises on the first act, until the final curtain in the last, you are kept in convulsions of laughter by the numerous comdy situations that follow in rapid succession. "The Man From Mexico," will be carefully staged and every member of the company will be cast to the best advantage. Mr. Grew will of course play the "Man," and Miss Marie Pettes, the popular Omaha leading woman will make her first appearance with this company playing the leading part of Clementina Fitzhugh. Price 25-35-50.

#### Better Yet

Mynard, Nebraska.  
Editor News Herald,  
Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:-  
In looking over the local items in your paper of Febr. 17th I find an item from Mynard headed, "Remember the Pastor." Now it seems to me that the writer of this item must have been a little modest in relating this incident for strangers would infer that Rev. Harrell's members and all the people in the community were involved in presenting the beautiful galloway robe to the pastor. The list of subscribers to this good enterprise was headed by W. F. Gillespie, and signed by twenty nine good citizens of this community. None of them being members of my church. Words are inadequate to express the emotions of surprise and gratitude to the good people who, remembered the pastor, with so warm a gift.  
W. O. Harrell.

A. E. Hedengren, bridge man for the Burlington was registered at the Riley last evening.

### CHIEF OF POLICE HAS A WORD.

#### Lincoln Officer Says a Few Things About the Liquor Fight There.

Since the agitation of the liquor question in Lincoln during the past few weeks the number of men arrested for drunkenness has increased in a startling way. While everything was quiet often days and days would go by without an arrest for boozing, but lately they have been picked up in twos and threes. Acting Chief of Police Malone made a statement yesterday afternoon in which he accused saloonkeepers of Havelock of furnishing free whisky in order that men would be picked up in Lincoln in an intoxicated condition. "It's a case of the brewers getting in their work," said Malone, "and they may think that they are fooling some of the people, but they are not putting it over me for an instant. I can see through their game and know their object. Free booze is being dished out to people of Lincoln so that they will be picked up here while full. The Havelock saloonkeepers are backed by the brewers and when manufacturers of booze say, 'dish it out,' you can bet that the whisky will flow as free as water. There are a lot of professional booze fighters who can be used in their game and the object is to swell the police register with drunks so that they can cry out that prohibition in Lincoln has been a failure. The poor devils who are taking the booze don't know that they are being overloaded for a purpose and gulp the stuff down as fast as it is dished out to them. The real test has been gone through and Lincoln has been a clean city under the dry administration. The brewers will try to make people think otherwise. I certainly would hate to see the town go wet again, and I don't believe that it will when people understand the true situation." Chief Malone has been asked to talk the temperance question in Benadom hall in the near future. He has had many calls to talk upon the question but he is rather bashful about talking from a public platform.—State Journal.

### HOLDEN OF AMES TELLS OF CONDITION.

#### Says to Farmers "Test Your Seed Corn and Prevent Crop Failure."

Corn growers face a crisis this year on account of the severe early frost which seriously impaired the seed corn. If this frost bitten seed is planted this year, the yield will fall far below what it was last season and will be a serious loss to the farmers. If I could give but one order to be carried out by every corn grower in Nebraska and Iowa, it would be this: Make a thorough germination test of all seed corn to be used for planting.

#### Clay Clemant Dies at Kansas City.

Clay Clemant, the well known actor and play writer, died very suddenly in a Kansas City hospital yesterday morning. He will be remembered by Plattsmouth people as the gentleman who opened the Parmele Theatre here about seven years ago, at that time he played the part of Napoleon with Blanche Walsch as Josephine in "More than Queen." Mr. Clemant was yet a comparatively young man having been born in 1863. He had been working unusually hard of late, acting much of the time, and at the same time was engaged in writing three new plays. He had been ailing with kidney trouble and his excessive labor aggravated the disease, until uraemic poisoning set in and medical aid could do nothing to help him.

#### Advertised Letters.

Ladies:- Miss Winn Brandon, Miss B. Johnson, Mrs. John McBride, Miss K. Moher, and Miss Bessie Walling.  
Gentlemen:- Enal Beroy, Frank Ford, Elmer Hallstrom, T. E. Houghton, Gordon L. Jack, Geo. R. Morrison, W. McBride, J. W. McBride and Jim Mrasek.  
All unclaimed by March 5th will be sent to Dead Letter Office.  
H. A. Schneider, P. M.

#### M. W. A. Notice.

Next Wednesday night, February 23rd, is the regular meeting night of Cass Camp No. 332. All members are requested to be present. Have a class of five candidates to initiate and the team is in good condition to do the work, will have smoker after meeting. Better come up.  
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### COUNCIL NO. 372 MEET FOURTEENTH ANNIVERSARY

#### Mrs. Clark, National Conductor and Col. Dempster Here.

The local Platte Council No 372 of the Knights and Ladies of Security held their fourteenth anniversary in Coates hall last evening, and it was a very successful and enjoyable affair. Mrs. Gertrude Clark, of Nebraska City, who is the National conductor of the order, and Col. John A. Dempster, of Omaha, twice National Vice President of the order, were in attendance and addressed the company. The order started in with a hundred members and has now one hundred and fifty. This council won the prize banner for the district during the last quarter for growth in membership, the beautiful trophy was received yesterday from Topeka, and suspended over the chairman's desk last night during the exercises.

A program of some length was given consisting of music and readings by Plattsmouth talent principally and speeches from the guests. Instrumental solos were given by Francis Whalen, Miss Lorraine Emery and Mr. Hilt Wescott. Reading were given by Miss Marie Douglas, Mr. Ben Windham, Mrs. William Baird and Miss Mattie Tiller, of Hamburg. Vocal solos were rendered by Mrs. J. W. Gamble and Mr. B. A. McWain. A trio of Swedish musicians, composed of Mr. E. T. Kron with violin, Mr. Gus Erickson with triangle and Mr. K. W. Zaegren with harp furnished three numbers which invoked much applause. Mrs. Clark spoke as did also Col. Dempster on the benefits of the order socially and otherwise. After the program a three course banquet was served in the dining room, dancing and social conversation was indulged in until time for departure.

### WASHINGTON DOPE.

Washington, D. C. February 22 (Special) The War is Over! By that is meant the late Civil War, for the Senate of the United States has said it is over and the "wise old owls" of the upper branch of Congress ought to know, if anybody does. In some particulars as interesting an event and as significant as one could wish for was the effort made by Senator Heyburn of Idaho to prevent the loan of a number of wall tents and accessories to the executive committee of the Confederate Veteran's Re-union which is to be held in Mobile, Ala., next April. Senator Heyburn in the course of an impassioned speech, in which he protested that he was not re-opening the wounds of the war, said that when men make mistakes and especially mistakes so grave in their nature and far-reaching in their results they should be the ones to keep them in the background rather than to bring them out for investigation or review. That the attempt to secure the tents for a Confederate Veteran re-union was a slap in the face of those who had fought for the preservation of the Union, and much more along similar lines.

When the vote was taken on the resolution its full significance became apparent, for not a vote was cast against the resolution except that of Mr. Heyburn. His appeal to the wearers of the blue to go on record against the resolution fell on deaf ears and as the names of the Senators were called, names that are known in every hamlet in the country, the occasion became historic for not one of the legislators cared to say by his vote that the war was still on and those who had fought against the Union were still outside the pale of forgiveness. It was a lesson in patriotism such as the Senators had not seen in years. The war thank God is over.

Representative Joseph E. Randall of Louisiana, a member of the Rivers and Harbors Committee of the House and President of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress is greatly elated over the action of the House committee dealing with the subject of waterways, in boldly proclaiming its position in favor of an annual river and harbor bill instead of biennial or triennial as has been the custom heretofore.

For a number of years the National Rivers and Harbors Congress has advocated with all its power three distinct principles which have been nearly, if not quite, realized in the bill which was reported to the House and which passed that body recently. These principles are first; that appropriations for rivers and harbors should be made annually like appropriations for the army and navy, the postoffice department, or the Treasury; second; that a definite fixed policy of waterway improvement should be adopted and provision

made for completing great projects within a reasonable term of years and third that annual appropriations for rivers and harbors should amount to fifty million dollars.

The bill as it passed the House carries in the neighborhood of \$35,000,000 in cash with authorizations of nearly \$6,000,000 more making a total of \$41,000,000. To this must be added some \$9,000,000 which will be carried in the Sundry Civil bill and about \$2,000,000 for the operation and care of canals, removing wrecks and snags.

It is a broad and comprehensive measure giving due consideration to every part of the country which is vitally interested in one of the greatest problems of the day, the imperative needs of water transportation to handle the growing commerce of the Nation.

Shortly after Easter, the first lady of the land, wife of the President of the United States is to have a new social secretary and the women folk in the National Capitol are on the qui-vive at her coming. The new secretary is Miss Mary D. Spiers, a North Carolina girl educated in a Woman's College in her native state who is described as a charming conversationalist, speaking several languages and possessing in a marked degree the tact, diplomacy and resourcefulness required of one who would discharge the exacting duties.

It is doubtful if any President's wife had as large or as varied a correspondence as has Mrs. Taft. Her desk is threaded through and through with letters from all "classes and conditions of people," containing requests of every kind imaginable. They are serious or foolish and sometimes almost unintelligible; are pleas for help of various sort; requests for souvenirs of the White House and its mistress; and above all countless letters pleading for photographs and autographs. All this is in addition to the heavy social correspondence which Mrs. Taft's position demands, the letters of congratulation and condolence, the notes of acceptance and regret and a thousand and one communications to which the name of the gentle mistress of the White House must be signed.

And Mrs. Taft signs all her letters personally, which necessarily takes time although her secretary relieves her of much of the routine matter by writing the less important letters, but even this saving of time is hardly noticeable in the many demands made upon the mistress of the White House. Miss Bleck whose engagement with Mrs. Taft will terminate after Easter is to be married during the coming Spring to Lieut. Richard Wainwright, Jr., son of Admiral Wainwright and she will take away a most interesting memento of her sojourn in the White House in the shape of a scrapbook containing many amusing and peculiar notices and documents which have come to her during her stay.

#### Firemen Notice.

The fire department will hold a special meeting tomorrow, Wednesday February 23rd, at 7:30 P. M. The special meeting is held for the purpose of erecting the hose house on west Main, everybody that is interested in the matter is invited to be present.  
Emous Ptak, Pres.  
Anton H. Koubek, Ch'f

#### Gladstone and Tobacco.

One of the few accomplishments which Gladstone never acquired was the art of smoking. His few attempts in this direction are reported to have been dismal failures. Only once was he known to try a cigarette, the occasion being one evening when King Edward, then Prince of Wales, was his guest at Downing street. After dinner the prince desired to smoke, and Gladstone, with fine courtesy, sought to place his guest at ease by at least lighting a cigarette. In later years the "grand old man" one day accused his secretary of smelling of the weed. "No wonder," was the reply. "I've been over half an hour with Sir William Harcourt." "What! Does Harcourt smoke?" exclaimed Gladstone. "You must tell him to be careful always to change his clothes before he comes to me!" — Westminster Gazette.

#### His Portrait.

One of the members of a certain suburban photographic society recently delivered a lecture, illustrated by lantern views. Another member, thinking to have a joke at the expense of the lecturer, slipped in among the slides a lantern portrait of himself. The joke would come in, of course, by the portrait appearing on the screen immediately after the lecturer had announced the appearing of something quite different. Fate and chance were unluckily against the humorist, for when his portrait was presented the lecturer, without knowing what was on the screen, gravely read from his list:

"The next slide, ladies and gentlemen, is the picture of a refractory donkey."

# PIONEER IS DEAD

## George Sitzman of Cedar Creek Passes Away at His Residence.

### HAD BEEN UNWELL FOR NEARLY A YEAR

#### Was on the First Train That Crossed the First Burlington Bridge.

George Sitzman, an old settler of Cass county died yesterday afternoon at his home near Cedar Creek after an illness extending nearly a year. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon from the Catholic church in this city, immediately after the arrival of the Schuyler train, about ten o'clock and the burial will be at the Catholic cemetery.

Mr. Sitzman was born in Germany October 18th, 1847 and came to this country in 1872, going to Indiana where he resided till he came to Nebraska and located in Plattsmouth in 1880. He was on the first train which crossed the Burlington bridge at this place and worked for the Burlington road for 21 years, when he moved to Cedar Creek and went to farming, where he has since resided.

He was sixty-three years of age and leaves seven sons and three daughters, all of which live in Cass county. It is requested that as many as possible of the friends of the family be present at the funeral on Thursday morning.

### BLSH WINS SUIT AGAINST BURLINGTON.

#### Jury Returns Verdict for Plaintiff in sum of \$10,000.

The case of Blish against the Burlington for \$25,000 damages for the loss of his foot was submitted to the jury last night.

The jury was out about two hours and returned a sealed verdict into the court and were allowed to separate until this morning, when they appeared before Judge Travis in the district court room and delivered their verdict which was received and read. The verdict was for the plaintiff in the sum of \$10,000. It is not known whether either or both sides will appeal. It is said the Company offered the sum of \$5500 by way of compromise to avoid the expense and time of litigation with the uncertainties of the outcome. Plaintiff declined, under the advice of his attorney.

### BOOM FOR SQUASH RACKETS.

#### National and Intercity Championship Scheduled to Be in Philadelphia.

That greater interest than ever is being taken in squash rackets was evidenced at the recent sixth annual meeting of the United States Squash Racket association in Philadelphia. All the clubs holding membership in the association were represented. The treasurer reported that the finances of the association were in a most flourishing condition, and the secretary reported that overtures had been received from New York, Pittsburg and Altoona, Pa., with a view to these cities becoming members of the organization, and it is more than probable that they will be enrolled as members in due course.

It was decided that the intercity championship between Boston, Philadelphia and Baltimore shall be played this year at Baltimore on Feb. 11 and 12 and that the national championships shall be held at the Racket club from Feb. 28 to March 5, inclusive.

#### Took the Boy's View.

A well known London comedian was starting at a music hall in a large town when he heard from a friend that the son of the landlady where he had taken rooms was going round the town stating that the star was rotten and not worth going to see.

The comedian went home and called the landlady and said: "Madam, you would not like me to leave your rooms and in the next town I went to tell my friends that were likely to visit you that your rooms were bad. Well, your little boy has made a statement that I am no use as a star, and I should like you to take him to task for it. Please don't hit him, but speak to him sternly and severely."

The landlady waited till the boy's father came home from work and told him about it.

The father gave the boy a sound thrashing and sent him to bed, went that night to the hall to see the comedian act, returned home, woke the boy up and apologized to him.