

IS NOT A VERY BAD RECORD

The Number of Divorces Granted by the District Court of Cass County in Five Years.

TWO-THIRDS OF APPLICANTS FEMALE

It is Not Sufficient, However, to Retard Business in the Matrimonial Market—It Holds Up Just the Same.

While there has not been as many separations in Cass county under the divorce laws of the state as there has been in many other counties, yet the records show that there has been enough to put a damper on the matrimonial market just the same. But from the records in the county judge's office it seems that the divorce record has but little effect upon those who have made up their minds to make the venture for "better or for worse."

The records of the district clerk from March, 1900, to February, 1906, shows that there has been 88 petitions for divorces filed, of which number 61 were filed by women and the other 26 by men. Of the 61 petitions filed by women 45 were granted and two are pending; and of the 26 filed by men, 14 were granted.

From March, 1900 to 1901 Don Cupid was certainly taking a vacation, for this was an extremely busy year in the divorce court, there being 23 petitions filed, or an average of nearly two each month. Of these 23 petitions (17 being filed by women) 16 were granted as prayed for.

In the following year to March, 1902, 1 petition was granted of the 5 filed by men, and 8 of the 11 petitions filed by women.

In the year 1903 to March, 1904, there was a very notable decrease in the number of petitions filed, of which 3 were granted women, and 3 of the 4 petitions filed granted men.

In this last year up to February, 1906, 7 petitions were filed by women and 3 by men, and of these have been granted and 1 is yet to be tried.

Wedded Bliss.

The parsonage of St. Paul's Evangelical church was the scene of a happy event Tuesday morning at ten o'clock. In the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties, Mr. Fred G. Ohlenhausen and Miss Lydia May Gath were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony by the pastor, Rev. Langhorst. After the ceremony the bride and groom were driven to the home of the parents of the latter, where they will spend the day. The bride is a most worthy young lady, while the same can be said of Fred as being a most worthy young man, and the Journal wishes the happy couple all the happiness this mundane sphere affords. They will soon be at home in rooms over the Bank of Cass County. Among those who witnessed the nuptial knot tied were the parents of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Evens, and Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Schildknecht.

Divorce Epidemic.

Our sister city of Nebraska City seems to be greatly afflicted just now with a divorce epidemic. No less than ten divorce cases have been filed in the district court of Otoe county in that many days. Some of them are people who have lived together for thirty or forty years. There is something radically wrong with our divorce laws, and they should be changed so that it would not be possible for either husband or wife to secure a separation upon the least pretext. The reason for so many divorces is simply because they are so easily obtained. Ten divorce cases filed in this short time fully demonstrates this fact to a dead moral certainty.

Successful Box Social.

Talk about successful socials! South Bend certainly took the cake in that line Saturday evening. The public school there needs a new organ and to that end the enterprising students and others got up a box social which came off Saturday night. The program opened with a number of musical and literary selections after which was commenced the auction sale of lunch boxes—the purchaser in each case being entitled to the felicity of sharing the contents of his lunch box with the fair damsel or dame who prepared the feast. Bidding ran high—some boxes selling for \$2.50, and only two going below the 8. They cleared about \$40, and will have their organ.

Return Thanks.

The undersigned takes this method of thanking those friends who so kindly assisted during the late illness of our dear wife and mother. And especially to those Plattsmouth friends who rendered such valuable assistance when the remains arrived here for interment, do we return our most sincere thanks. FRED SCHROEDER, H. SCHLUNTZ.

Would Not Give Up.

Mr. Frank Kubis, of Independence, Wis., mailed us the following letter: "A man who has been cured by Triner's American Elixir of Bitter Wine wishes to express his best thanks. I have been seeking help at many doctors in vain, but would not give up hope. It occurred to me to buy a bottle of that wine on trial. From the first dose I noticed that I have found the proper medicine, because the pain was gradually subsiding and the stomach called for food that it was unable to accept before. I took five bottles and feel perfectly well. Everybody, to whom I recommended this remedy, was satisfied with it and my sisters speak very highly of it." It is a new proof that Triner's American Elixir of Bitter Wine cures every stomach, even in cases where all hope has been abandoned. Whenever your appetite is diminished or entirely lost or whenever your stomach will refuse, or will be unable to hold, food; whenever your complexion will not be pure, your eye not brilliant, your tongue not clear, your body not able to work, this remedy will certainly cure you. At drug stores. Jos. Triner, 709 So. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

MAIL WEIGHING HAS BEGUN

No. 41 This Morning the First to Weigh Out of Lincoln.

No. 41 on the Burlington weighed its mail when it left the Lincoln terminal Monday morning. It was the first to weigh out of Lincoln. The order to weigh mails stated that all trains leaving terminals after 12:01 o'clock the morning of the twentieth should weigh mails. By terminals the postoffice department means where cars start and end their runs. The next train to weigh out of Lincoln was No. 44 southbound this morning. For several days a large number of platform scales have been stored in the local baggage room, and cars leaving here on their last trips before the order became effective were supplied. It is not known how long mail weighing will continue, but it is known that pay for carrying mails for four years to come will be based on the result of the weighing tests now in progress.

Leaving a terminal the entire amount of mail loaded on a car is weighed. At each station along the road the amount of mail put off and amount taken in is weighed and accounted for in separate columns. At the end of the trip the in and out columns should balance, thus giving a check on the accuracy of the weighing.—Lincoln Journal.

A Letter From Dan Maloney.

A friend of the Journal picked up the following letter on Main street recently and handed it to one of our reporters with the request that we publish same. So here goes:

SHIKAGO, October thirty, 1905.

DEAR BROTHER:—
Yur lether to hand askin fur the loan of five dollars, I'm sorry to say, I never recaved yer lether, so don't think I refused to send the five after radin yer lether. I made up me mind to send ye the five, but I can't git this lether out of the Post office. Av course, ye don't no I'm goin to git married, so I won't tell ye till I rite again, Thewsday. Miss Clancy is her name; now don't ax me whoshe is, fur tis no wans bizness, but me own. We are havin grate toims gettin redidy for the weddin. You rimber owid-man Roach, he was murdered in bed last nite for his money, but as luck hapened he put it in the bank, so he lost nothin but his loife. I kape me cow in the ice house now to make her give ice crame. I have a foine apple orchard full ov peaches; I ate all I can and all I can't ate I can.

My health ain't good, I have such a bad cow in me head, I'm afraid tu wash me face fur fear ov frezing the wather. You rimber the wart I had on me face, well I tuck a bottle ov that medsin ye sint me and tuck it, me face is all gone, but the wart is still there. That was a mane trick. I'd loike to give ya peace ov me mind, but I havn't any to spare. I bought a new Bulgarian goat that gives Swiss cheese every morin. Well that, all I can rimber; if ye can think ov anything I forgot to mention, let me no in yer next lether and I will tell it tu ye. Now don't by two much with that five dollars ye didn't get, fur I mite not send it tu ye and whin ye git this lether have your hair cut, whiskers trimmed, and by a biled shirt and git redidy fur yer brother Dan's wedding. As ever yer Brother,
DAN MALONEY.

Midnight Prowlers.

About 12 o'clock Sunday night considerable excitement was caused at George Dovey's by the fact that some suspicious characters were prowling around the premises, and flashing a light at the windows. Mr. Dovey was aroused from his slumbers and several shots were fired, which frightened the would-be intruders away.

There was a large number of the gentlemen of the road registered at the bunk house last night, and very likely some of them were guilty of creating the disturbance.

ACCIDENT AT THE JUNCTION

Eugene Sawyer, a Burlington Brakeman, Loses an Arm.

HIS RESIDENE IS IN CRESTON, IOWA

Has Been in the Employ of the Burlington for Eleven Years.

Pacific Junction was the scene of another serious accident last night, in which Eugene Sawyer, who was acting as rear brakeman on Conductor J. F. Lowry's train, had his right arm so mangled that it became necessary to amputate same between the elbow and shoulder.

Mr. Lowry has charge of the local freight train between the Junction and Creston, and it seems that while his train was standing on one track another train was passing. Mr. Sawyer was standing or walking between the two trains, and his clothing in some manner was caught by one of the moving cars and drew him closer to the car, where he received such a jolt that he fell, and in falling his right arm fell across the track, resulting as above stated.

As soon as possible the unfortunate man was brought to this city and conveyed to the offices of the Burlington physician, Dr. T. P. Livingston, where it was deemed necessary to amputate the arm. After this was accomplished Mr. Sawyer was conveyed to the Perkins house, where he seems to be doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

The unfortunate man has been a faithful employe of the Burlington for eleven years, and during that time has been employed for weeks and months as conductor on special freights during the busy season. His home is in Creston, Ia., where he has besides his wife and two children, a widowed mother, who makes her home with his family.

Conductor J. T. Lowry and several other railroad men accompanied the unfortunate man to this city, and they deeply regret the serious accident to their co-laborer. He is a popular young man, and being in the prime of life (31 years of age) did fair to rise higher in his chosen occupation, when this terrible accident came.

Mrs. Sawyer, the mother of the injured man, came in this morning in response to a telegram advising her of the accident, and will remain at the bedside of her son until all danger has passed.

THE DEAL IS COMPLETED

Wherein Ike Pearlman Disposes of His Two Business Blocks on East Main Street.

Some few months since the Journal gave a short account of a big deal that had been made wherein Ike Pearlman, the well known furniture dealer, had traded his two business blocks on Main street, between Third and Fourth, for a large body of land in Antelope county. At that time the trade was not fully completed from the fact that no transfer of the property had been made.

Now we can state positively that the trade is fully completed, and Mr. and Mrs. Israel Pearlman have transferred the two blocks above mentioned to Bertha and Fred Ostertog, of Antelope county, and these parties in return have transferred to Mr. and Mrs. Pearlman 480 acres of land in the above named county. The consideration amounts to \$17,000 for the land, and Mr. Pearlman put in the two buildings at \$14,000.

Now that the transfer has been made Mr. Pearlman is very desirous of closing out his stock of goods before he gives up possession of the store-room occupied by him, and will sell furniture, stoves, etc., cheaper almost than cost in order to do so.

May Come to Terms.

It is rumored that there is a possibility of the city council and the Nebraska Lighting company coming to terms on the lighting question. The Journal is pleased to hear it, and hopes that Plattsmouth's thoroughfares will soon be graced with some nice arc lights. The people demand lights and they are not in favor of the city paying more for them than they feel justified in paying. If the Nebraska Lighting company fall in making the proper terms there are parties here who will furnish lights at a cheaper rate than they would be willing to pay the old company. And they are not going to stand back much longer in giving them a franchise to do so.

J. H. Robbins, of Courtland, Neb., has submitted a proposition to the citizens of Louisville for the erection of a new roller mill at that place. A new mill will prove a great investment for Louisville.

Merited Recognition.

We clip the following from the State Journal: "The university seniors elected class officers for the last semester of their course Monday morning. The position of president, which is considered the most important in the gift of the class during the four years, went to E. D. Crites, of Chadron. C. E. Yoder, of Topeka, Ind., was chosen president of the sophomore class. The chief interest which attached to the election of a president of the second year class was the fact that the successful candidate would have the nomination of the manager of the proposed combination annual to be published next year."

Edwin D. Crites is a Plattsmouth boy, born in the city a little over twenty-one years ago. He is a son of Judge and Mrs. A. W. Crites, of Chadron, Neb., and for the last four years has been a most faithful and industrious student in the state university. He graduates next June. The Journal, as well as his many friends in Plattsmouth and Cass county, join in extending congratulations over his election as president of the senior class of the university.

MAY GO AFTER CROWE JURY

Investigation of Some of the Members Likely.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 10.—Persistent rumors, which County Attorney Slabaugh would neither confirm or deny, were floating around the court house today to the effect that an investigation of some of the members of the Pat Crowe jury would be made. It is understood the investigation touches two of them who are said to be close friends of relatives of Crowe.

Persons who say they know what they are talking about are responsible for the statement that one member of this jury, one of the two suspected, besides being a boon companion of Crowe has kept company with a sister of Jim Callahan, Crowe's alleged pal in the Cudahy kidnaping. Nothing more definite than this could be learned.

"I have nothing to say," said County Attorney Slabaugh when asked as to the truth of the report.

Louis Rasmussen, one of the jurors, has received a letter signed "Citizens' Committee," advising him to leave the city on account of his verdict. He showed the letter to other members of the jury and they expressed considerable indignation that such measures should be taken. The letter contained no direct threat, but merely advised Rasmussen to get out of town.

Pat Crowe was arraigned in the district court at Council Bluffs this morning on the charge of highway robbery of two street cars at the east end of the Omaha-Council Bluffs bridge the night of July 2, last, and pleaded not guilty. Attorneys Ritchie of Omaha and Wadsworth of Council Bluffs were present for the defendant. The affair was perfunctory. Crowe gave no bail.

Advertising as a Remedy.

Whenever the business men of a locality wake up to the fact that live advertising, descriptive, price quoting advertising, is the shortest, surest and most direct way to strike at the eastern catalogue houses, they are on the right track and are striking a winning gait. When business men appreciate the possibilities they have in their home local papers for meeting catalogue propositions and take advantage of their opportunities they will be on the right road. Supposing that the wide-awake merchants in a town representing a number of lines of trade, those who realize and recognize that they who would be free must themselves strike the first blow, get together and do business in a new and up-to-date way with their local paper. They can make a catalogue of every issue with which to reach surrounding trade. In addition to making their own local catalogue in the columns of their home paper, their advertising and prices quoted will be accompanied with the local news which no catalogue house can furnish and when you get behind your local paper and give it this kind of support, the paper will be able to make itself a power in extending its field of usefulness and value.—Lincoln Trade Review.

The Injured Brakeman.

The Journal is pleased to learn that Mr. E. L. Sawyer, the brakeman who was injured at Pacific Junction Monday night, is getting along nicely and rested remarkably well last night. In referring to the injured man, his home paper, the Creston (Iowa) Advertiser says: "E. L. Sawyer, of this city, was injured at Pacific Junction Monday evening, and lost his right arm, near the shoulder, and the news of the accident has caused a wave of sorrow among the many friends of the young man in this city. There is probably no man in the employ of the railroad company who has a larger circle of friends in Creston, and the expressions of regret which have been heard in this city this morning are abundant evidence of the fact that 'Gene' numbers his friends by the hundreds."

A PIONEER OF CASS COUNTY

Brief Life Sketch of Mrs. Emma Christina Schroeder, Who Came to Cass County in 1867.

(By Basil S. Ramsey.)

Died.—At her home, 31 North Main street, Council Bluffs, Ia., on Sunday, February 11, 1906, at 10:45 o'clock p. m., Mrs. Emma Christina Schroeder, aged 55 years, 11 months and 5 days.

Emma Christina Roennan was born March 6, 1850, at Riechsdorf, Germany, and was the daughter of Henry Roennan and Christina Roennan, whose maiden name was Christina Schroeder.

In 1867, when only seventeen years old, she came with her parents to Rock Bluffs, Cass county, Nebraska, and on October 25 of the same year, at St. Mary's, Ia., was married to Christian Schluntz, then a widower with two little girls, Anna Mary, aged 5 years, and Dorothy C., aged 3 years.

In 1869 Mr. and Mrs. Schluntz moved from Rock Bluffs to Cedar Creek, Cass County, Neb., where they resided until the spring of 1883, when the family moved to Ashland, Saunders county, Neb. At Ashland, August 1, 1883, Mr. Schluntz departed this life, leaving to Mrs. Schluntz the care of the two daughters by his first marriage, and also a son by his second marriage, Henry John Schluntz, who was born at Rock Bluffs, August 23, 1869, and is now and for a number of years past has been a valued employe of the B. & M. shops at Plattsmouth.

Soon after the death of Mr. Schluntz in 1883, Mrs. Schluntz and children moved back to Cedar Creek from Ashland, where in January, 1885, she was married to Frederick Schroeder, who survives her. The family remained at Cedar Creek until March, 1896, when they moved to Danbury, Ia., and from there to Council Bluffs in 1900, at which place they have since resided.

LAST SAD RITES.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, February 14, 1906, at 1 o'clock p. m., at St. Paul's Evangelical church, Plattsmouth, Neb., and were conducted by Rev. Longhorst, who delivered an able, touching and instructive sermon upon the life of deceased, and spoke consolatory words to the sorrowing relatives and friends.

Appropriate selections were rendered by the choir, consisting of Mrs. Longhorst, Mrs. Pine, Miss Emma Falter, Miss Pearl Mumm, Miss Thille Ploger and Miss Alvinia Huffman. Among the musical selections were "Nearer My God to Thee," and "Wer Weiss Wie Nahe Weir Mein Ende."

The pall bearers, consisting of old time friends, were Jacob Treitsch, Fred Gunther, John Bauer, sr., L. Born, George Shoemann and Joseph Fetzer, who sadly bore to Oak Hill cemetery all that remained mortal of a devoted wife, loving mother and faithful, steadfast friend. A large concourse of sorrowing friends attended the obsequies and followed the remains to their final home beneath the vine and the rose.

MEMBER OF CHURCH IN INFANCY.

Mrs. Schroeder, while in the fatherland and when but a child, united with the German Lutheran church, and during her whole life ever remained a devout, faithful member of that denomination. Her nature most beautifully typified the highest christian character. Most generous in disposition, benevolent and sympathetic, no worthy object of charity ever appealed to her in vain. She was of that type of girlhood and womanhood which so silently attracts friends and forms friendships which are so seldom broken. Her devotion to and love for her two little step-daughters, Anna Mary and Dorothy C., whose care, comfort and training she assumed on her marriage to Mr. Schluntz, and when only seventeen years old, fully attests her noble hearted womanhood. These little girls she carefully reared to womanhood. The elder married Solomon Dewey, and for a number of years resided at Hay Springs, Neb. The other, Dorothy C., married one, James B. Filbert, and to this union two children were born—Florence A. and Angela G. Their mother, after having been deserted by her husband, died at Ottawa, Kan., in 1891. Again were two little innocent, helpless waifs left motherless, and in this case, homeless and among strangers. But they were not friendless.

Mrs. Schroeder, the subject of this sketch, and step-grandmother of these little girls, learned of their condition. Promptly she went to Ottawa, brought the children from among strangers to her home at Cedar Creek; was appointed their guardian, thus giving her complete control and custody of their persons and property, the latter they inherited from their mother. These children remained in the Schroeder home undisturbed until 1893, when the father commenced an action before Judge Chapman for their possession. Mrs. Schroeder and husband put up a strong fight for the little girls and won. Filbert carried the case to the supreme court, where he was again defeated and the children left with Mrs. Schroeder and her husband. Again, about a year later, Filbert tried for a second time to secure possession of these little girls. Judge Ambrose of

Omaha tried the case and Filbert won. Prompted by strong affection for the children, as well as what she believed for their best interests, with a Spartan mother courage, Mrs. Schroeder with her husband carried the case to the supreme court, where on September 18, 1894, Judge Ambrose was reversed and the custody of the Filbert children awarded to Mrs. Schroeder and her husband, with whom they remained afterward undisturbed by a seemingly unnatural father.

Beautiful, noble example of the highest type of womanhood! Mother to those by whom she was bound by no ties of blood. Rescuer of little, homeless, helpless waifs, whose father had so heartlessly deserted them. Twice in the highest court of the state demanding the rights of these same helpless children, and twice the victory was hers.

No wonder, then, that two little girls grew up under her guardian care from helpless infancy to womanhood and learned to call her, not only mother but called her blessed.

But the curtain has dropped for the last time, and alone we leave her quietly resting—

"'Tis with the vine and the rose."

MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE

Band of Four Hundred Omaha Women Ensure the Pat Crowe Jury.

More than 400 of the most prominent women in Omaha at a meeting last Monday afternoon adopted resolutions protesting against the verdict in the case of Pat Crowe, who was last week acquitted of the charge of robbing E. A. Cudahy of \$25,000 through the kidnaping of the latter's son five years ago. This is said to be the preliminary to a general mass meeting of citizens to take similar action. The resolutions are as follows:

"Whereas, The verdict of the jury in the late criminal trial known as the Cudahy kidnaping case has aroused the indignation of the lawabiding citizens of Omaha, and

"Whereas, Our silence may be interpreted as assent.

"Be it the sense of this meeting that we express in strongest terms our disapproval of such a verdict and our astonishment that under the laws of this great state there could be such a miscarriage of justice, and, furthermore, that we declare ourselves ready to co-operate with other organizations of that city which may desire, for the public good to enter a protest against the evident injustice done in this case."

The resolutions are signed by Mrs. W. P. Harford, Mrs. E. W. Nash, Mrs. C. H. Herring, Mrs. Ben Gallagher, Mrs. J. E. Boum and Miss E. M. McCartney.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Maty G. Andrews, president of the Omaha Woman's club, and the principal addresses were made by Mrs. Harford, Mrs. Nash and Mrs. Herring. The better class of men were blamed for the alleged incompetency of juries, because they shirk the responsibility of jury duty.

Out on Bail.

Council Bluffs, Ia., Feb. 20th.—Pat Crowe was released from jail today on a bond for \$1,500 secured by his relatives and friends in Council Bluffs. John Crowe, his brother, and Ellen W. Crowe, wife of the latter, are two of the signers. Joseph Nansel a wealthy farmer, who is serving as a juror at this term of court, is also on the bond.

Immediately on being released, Pat went to the office of his attorney and there received the congratulations of friends. Mrs. Sadie Meadows, an Omaha woman, who has taken a great interest in him by bringing lunches and dainties to the jail every day, was there to greet him.

Crowe declared that it was a great relief to him to be able to appear in public without the fear of arrest. He announced his intention to reform and make his home for the rest of his life either in Omaha or in Council Bluffs. His trial on the street car hold-up charge here has been put over until some time in March.

ENTIRELY OUT OF DANGER

Dee Hostetter, Who Attempted Suicide by the Carbolic Acid Route.

MANLEY, Neb., Feb. 21, 1906.—[Special to the Journal.]—In a fit of despondency one of my boys (Dee) attempted suicide by taking carbolic acid, but by the timely aid of Dr. Green he is now entirely out of danger; but as it always happens in such cases, Cass county air is heavily charged with all kinds of rumors.

J. W. HOSTETTER.

Joins the Navy.

A special from Louisville to the Omaha Bee says: "Arthur Farmer, who with his brother Oscar have been attending the Nebraska Wesleyan university, left a note on the table in their room yesterday for Oscar, stating that he had joined the United States navy and bidding him and his parents goodby. Oscar came home last evening to inform his parents."