

## COMMERCIAL CLUB ENJOYED A RARE TREAT LAST EVENING

Have the Pleasure of Being Addressed by Mr. George Irving of the Dry Goods Reporter Who Gave Club Some Plain Truths.

A hurry-up meeting of the commercial club was held last evening at Coates' hall, the occasion being to meet with George Irving, representing the Dry Goods Reporter and other trade papers. Mr. Irving whom efforts had been made heretofore to secure for an address, came in yesterday quite unexpectedly and the club found itself confronted with the necessity of calling as many members together as the limited time would permit to hear what he had to say.

Despite the fact that there were a number of counte attractions on hand in the city, there was a fair attendance of members present in the evening when Mr. Irving rose to address the club and it must be said that everyone of them was wildly enthusiastic when he had finished. To his credit, he it said, he injected more life into the members who heard him and gave them more of the genuine "get up and do it" spirit than all the speakers who have been here before put together.

Mr. Irving is what is known as a member of the publicity and improvement branch of his papers. He has been described as a "town tonic" and a few doses of him is said to be worth an entire new life to a dispirited and hopeless town. From what he did last night to the members of the club here, it can safely be said that he must be a rejuvenator in good truth.

He spoke last evening for one hour and forty-five minutes and in that time he said a great deal—far more than anyone not a fast stenographer could take down and much more than space will permit to reproduce. That he should be able to hold every member of his audience from start to finish of his address is a strong testimonial of his magnetism and the worth of his address. He is a pleasing speaker and one with a ready command of language. He is also a forcible talker and drives his points home with an earnestness which makes a great impression on his hearers. In addition he wins the hearts of his auditors by a great personality, one which glows with geniality and which never fails to make all who hear him, friends.

Last night he gave the club a strong talk on their duties toward their neighbors and themselves. He spoke of the necessity for enterprises in the city and, going into details, pointed out just the kind of enterprises this town was capable of sustaining and establishing upon a firm and permanent footing. His talk along this line was illustrated with examples from other towns similarly situated. Speaking of investments by the moneyed men of the town, he described the too common practice of business men investing their money in enterprises in other places to the detriment of their own city. Incidentally, he spoke of the necessity of business men and all others encouraging the investment of local money in local industries and not driving it to seek foreign fields. That there would be enough money in this city to operate all kinds of industries if it were invested here instead of abroad, he asserted unreservedly. Mr. Irving also is a strong advocate of patronizing home industries. Upon the spending of money in the place where it is earned, he placed much stress as ending to the upbuilding of that community. He also is a strong advocate of the improvement of the physical

aspect of the city and believed this to be as important in its way, as the cultivation of a financial interest. He differed from many speakers who continually called for more money instead of men. His contention is that if you have the men—live ones—they will produce the money and make the enterprises pay. That this city had such men he did not doubt but they did need stirring up. Mr. Irving severely criticized the appearance of the streets of the city and especially the lack of modern appearing buildings. Selecting several examples of late construction he appealed to those of the business men present to rouse up and bring their stores up to date. People love to patronize a clean, light, airy store, was his earnest conviction. Throughout his address, the speaker illustrated with facts, figures and stories which carried a moral to all present.

At the close of his address the speaker was received with round after round of applause. It was an address full of wisdom and containing aids and suggestions upon town building which everyone should hear and study.

This morning Mr. Irving accompanied by a committee of seven members of the commercial club visited the high school where he made a short address to the pupils upon education them to follow their high school course with a college course and paying a high compliment to the college man in business and in the world. Mr. Irving is a pronounced advocate of liberal education and was strong in his advocacy of manual training, physical training, music and auxiliary branches of the three R's. He especially deplored the fact that a city the size of Plattsmouth had never introduced manual training into their schools, teaching the hand as well as the head. To upbuild the body he advocated a gymnasium and regular courses of physical training. He was especially astonished to find that music had no place in the curriculum of the schools here. He also is an enthusiastic believer in the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A., and has spoken of the fine work they have accomplished. In one of his speeches he referred to the fact that young folks are anxious to get to the cities and one reason which he assigned for this was their desire for some form of amusement. This is furnished in the associations spoken of above and in other forms which he strongly commended.

On his way to the school he severely criticized the appearance of the school grounds and the fact that there was no playground for the children. On the whole he seems to have been very much of a live wire and to have stung as well as soothed. It is proposed to have this talented speaker in the city again in the near future when he will speak to all the people at the Parnell theater. A large quantity of booster buttons will be obtained and these will be sold at twenty-five cents each, the proceeds to be used to defray the expenses of the lecture. In another place will be found a liberal offer from the commercial club of a reward for a fit slogan for the button. Let everybody get busy now and submit their idea of what applies best. And don't forget to patronize the lecture and hear one of the best speakers ever in the city.

## SERIOUS ACCIDENT LAST NIGHT

Miss Louise Hesse Hurlied Violently From Coaster and Very Seriously Cut About Face and Head.

The most serious accident which has taken place this winter in this city from coasting, occurred last evening when a big, heavily loaded coaster was turned over while coming down High school hill on the carnival track and Miss Louise Hesse hurled violently into a passing coaster being dragged to the top of the course. The coaster was in charge of Harold Streight who was at the steering wheel and had run about one block down the hill attaining a high rate of speed. One of the runners on one of the sleds suddenly gave way and the big coaster was thrown quickly over on one side, the occupants being hurled to the ground. Another big coaster with a party of merry-makers pulling it was passing up the hill on an adjacent track and it was against this that Miss Hesse was thrown. She sustained some very severe injuries, being badly cut and bruised about the face and for a time her condition was regarded as serious. The wounds which she suffered bled profusely and when she was taken to a surgeon's office, those who saw her were firmly of the opinion that she was badly hurt. An examination by the attending surgeon disclosed that her injuries were not dangerous but exceedingly painful. There was a long cut on the forehead and others across her upper and lower lips and down the side of her face. There were a number of stiches taken in the wound and the young lady conveyed to her home on Winter-street hill. She passed a restless night, suffering severe pain and headache but her condition is pronounced satisfactory today. She narrowly escaped a fractured skull as the cut on her forehead laid the skin open to the bone. The accident was one of the nature which cannot be foreseen and no blame is attached to any one for its occurrence. There were others in the party who sustained slight bruises and abrasions but they did not care to make them public.

The condition of W. Glen Boedeker injured on the course in the accident the night before from Murray as being all right except that he has a very black eye. It was Miss Ida Boedeker who was injured instead of Mrs. Glen Boedeker as reported and she was reported as being severely bruised and with one foot in a painful shape from being twisted under the coaster. Her shoe was torn from her foot by the accident and altogether she suffers much pain. Her condition is not dangerous, however. A young man in the party from Union sustained a broken nose, it is now claimed, and is said to be suffering severely.

**President Helps Orphans.**  
Hundreds of orphans have been helped by the President of the Industrial and Orphan's Home at Macon, Ga., who writes: "We have used Electric Bitters in this institution for nine years. It has proved a most excellent medicine for Stomach, Liver and Kidney troubles. We regard it as one of the best family medicines on earth." It invigorates the vital organs, purifies the blood, aids digestion, creates appetite. To strengthen and build up thin, pale, weak children or run-down people it has no equal. Best for female complaints. Only 50c at F. G. Fricke & Co.

**Hope They Will Recover.**  
Fire Chief Anton H. Koubek is very unhappy today. He fears he has lost his reputation, whatever that is. He fell into the hands of Fred E. Egenberger, Fred Guenther and Al. Egenberger this morning and they forced him to eat breakfast with them. To crown all his humiliation, after the meal he was called off to one side and told that his future was entirely blasted and in the discard, owing to his associates. This news was imparted to him by a very charming young woman. Tony has been mourning all day but the other fellows can't see the point and insist it would have been hard for him to lose what he didn't have to start with. We give it up but we hope all four will recover what they lost.

**Brave Fire Ladies**  
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H. Dettman from near Murdock, is in the city today looking after matters at the county seat.

**Bays Fine Percheron Stallion.**  
Henry Hirtz has disposed of his fine black Percheron stallion, having sold it to F. E. Cook, a son of George Cook, living near Alvo. Mr. Cook will take the animal to that place. He has secured a great animal in his purchase, it being generally recognized as one of the finest in the county. It is not announced what he paid for the animal but it should have brought a fancy price. Mr. Hirtz has made himself quite an enviable reputation as a breeder of fine animals and this one is among the best.

## A TALE OF INHUMAN CRUELTY

A Fifteen Year Old Girl Picked Up on the Streets of Omaha Tell a Sorrowful Story

A tale of almost inhuman cruelty by her parents was told yesterday in Omaha to the police of that city by Ida Nass, a 15-years-old girl whom they picked up on the streets. The girl told a pathetic story of how she came to this country some fifteen months ago with her parents from Germany. They settled on a farm near South Bend in this county and as soon as they were settled, her parents forced her to go to work. She has been used to this, however, ever since she had been 9 years old, so she started out to obtain a place as a domestic. She obtained a place in South Bend where she worked but a short time when she went to Murdock and went to work in a hotel there. It was while she was employed there that she received word that her parents were about to leave South Bend. She went to them and tried to get them to tell her where they were going but they refused to do this and turned her off, telling her that it was none of her business where they went and that she would have to hustle for herself. They then left and from that time to the present she has not been able to find trace of them.

After working in Murdock a short time, the girl came to this city where she obtained a place in a private family, leaving that to go to work at Barnes' restaurant. While she was working here she fell in with a crowd of boys and girls who have not the best of reputation and the girl seemed headed on the downward path. It was about one week ago when she departed from this city for Omaha where she wanted to seek work. She secured a job in a hotel on Tenth street but this did not last long and she soon was thrown on her own resources once more. She had but \$2 when she landed in Omaha. After the Tenth street job was over the girl went to work in the Bemis Bag factory in that city, working there all day yesterday and discovering after leaving her work that she had been robbed or had lost all the money she had on earth, a lonely dollar.

With no money, a hard night before her and no place to sleep or nothing to eat, the broken-hearted girl appealed to a woman whom she met on the street, telling her the story. The woman turned her over to the police who are endeavoring to find her a home. She told them "It is not easy for a young girl to earn a living and it makes it all the harder when one's parents won't tell you where they are."

The girl is a small, delicate creature with big brown eyes. She shows the signs of the hard work she has done, her hands being red and swollen and bearing all the evidence of hard living. It is a most pathetic case and a good home should be provided for her and an effort made to lift her from the path which she has fallen into. Those who employed her here so far as interviewed, say the girl was a good, hardworking one and no complaints registered against her save the associates which she had while here.

**A Horrible Hold-Up.**  
"About ten years ago my brother was 'held up' in his work, health and happiness by what was believed to be hopeless Consumption," writes W. R. Lipscomb, of Washington, D. C. "He took all kinds of remedies and treatment from several doctors, but found no help till he used Dr. King's New Discovery and was wholly cured by six bottles. He is a well man today." It's quick to relieve and the surest cure for weak or sore lungs, Hemorrhages, Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, La Grippe, Asthma and all Bronchial affections. 50 cents and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by F. G. Fricke & Co.

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## Not Sisters

Now and again you see two women passing down the street who look like sisters. You are astonished to learn that they are mother and daughter, and you realize that a woman at forty or forty-five ought to be at her finest and fairest. Why isn't it so? The general health of woman is so intimately associated with the local health of the essentially feminine organs that there can be no red cheeks and round form where there is female weakness.



Women who have suffered from this trouble have found prompt relief and cure in the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It gives vigor and vitality to the organs of womanhood. It clears the complexion, brightens the eyes and reddens the cheeks.

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## GREAT BLIZZARD 23 YEARS AGO

The Anniversary Attended by Slippery Sidewalks and Numerous Down Falls.

Today is the twenty-third anniversary of the big blizzard which caused such loss of life and suffering in this state. The storm occurred on January 12, 1888, and in it between two hundred and fifty and three hundred lives were lost while millions of dollars worth of cattle perished. The storm started in this city about four o'clock in the afternoon and raged all night and part of the next day followed by terrible cold weather. Conditions here today are much different from what they were then.

This morning Plattsmouth people awoke to find a strange and unusual condition of affairs confronting them. During the night a slow, drizzling rain had fallen and froze as it came down with the result that sidewalks, steps and the like were a smooth, glaze of ice upon which pedestrians slipped and slid along. Walking on the sidewalks during the morning hours was a task attended with the greatest danger to life and limb and many falls are reported, fortunately none serious.

Reports from all over the middle west report the storm as covering that territory. The fog which prevailed here played havoc with pedestrians in Omaha and they had the same tale to tell as people here, of hard falls and bruised and broken bodies. Travel on the pavement is reported as having been very difficult, horses being unable to keep their feet and wagons and automobiles skidding in all directions. A number of accidents took place yesterday and last night in the heavy fog which obscured the city, one death occurring in the switch yards where a switchman was unable to see an approaching car, and was run down and killed.

In Pittsburg, Pa., the weather forecaster has issued a warning to people traveling in the fog to keep the mouth covered so as to prevent the inhalation of the particles of ice in the fog. These cause a form of pneumonia which is very fatal. From this it can be seen that the fog prevails over the west and east alike.

This noon the rain was heavier and there is every indication that by night either rain or snow will prevail with colder weather following. A hard freeze now would result in great inconvenience on account of the formation of so much ice and would render travel very difficult.

Up to noon today only one accident had been reported to several of the physician. Mary Rys, a daughter of Mike Rys, fell and struck the right side of her face upon the ice, sustaining severe cuts and bruises including one ugly cut under the eye. The injuries were dressed by a physician and are not dangerous.

Miss Hester Gilmour and Miss Margery Walker were visitors for several days with Dr. Alex Walker at Nehawka, Miss Gilmour returning to her home yesterday.

**Election of Officers.**  
At the regular meeting of the fire department last evening, the annual election of officers for the several hose companies and the hook and ladder truck took place. The following were the officers chosen:

- Hook and Ladder Company—Geo. Gobleman, foreman; W. Gravett, assistant foreman.
- Wideawake Hose Cart—S. H. Goehonour, captain; J. C. Britton, foreman; R. E. Sawyer, assistant foreman.
- Red Cart—C. M. Manners, captain; O. C. Hudson, foreman; Ed. Weaver, assistant foreman.
- White Cart—R. H. Henry, captain; Paul Wohlfarth, foreman; H. Stanley, assistant foreman.

The above list of names will be submitted to the council at its next meeting for confirmation.

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**Burlington Rumors.**  
The latest rumor in Burlington, railroad circles is that President B. B. Harris of the road is to retire and Darius Miller, the recently made first vice president, will succeed him, he being in turn succeeded by H. E. Byram who will be the chief operating official of the road. The rumor is interesting if true and foreshadows a complete change in the management of the road from one end to the other.

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**Attention, Everybody.**  
The commercial club wants to adopt a slogan for our city—something short and to the point, to be used on a "Booster Button," and in all advertising. The club hereby offers a prize of ten dollars to the person who submits the best slogan, three words preferred. Write your slogan, plainly or printed, to E. H. Westcott, secretary, before Monday evening, January 17th, at 6 o'clock. The slogan bearing slogan must also bear name of sender.

**Card of Thanks.**  
We, the children of the late Mrs. Stephen Clifford, desire to return our sincere thanks to the many friends who so kindly extended their aid and assistance during the last illness and death of our beloved mother and we especially desire to return our thanks for the many floral tributes from loving friends.

Josephine Clifford.  
Owen Clifford.  
Thos. Clifford.  
T. S. Clifford.  
John Fitzpatrick.

Lig. Brown, mayor of Kenosha, and one of the best citizens of old Cass, is in the city today looking after business matters. Lig. as is always his custom, paid the Journal one of his pleasant visits and found our latch string on the outside as usual.

### Fine Exhibition of Ski Running.

The Journal inadvertently omitted to make mention of a fine exhibition of ski running given last Sunday on south Fifth street hill by Loreman Savogren of the Burlington, Eric Beckstrom and another gentleman. The hill which is a very high and steep one afforded a fine place for an exhibition of the sport. There was a large crowd of spectators attracted by the novelty of the entertainment which is quite unusual in this climate. The gentlemen started from the top of the hill on their skis, giving themselves a start with a few quick vigorous strokes of a pointed prod they carried and in a remarkably short time they had covered the space to the bottom of the hill, coming down it with the speed of the wind. The sport is highly exhilarating and very healthy and makes the blood course through the veins rapidly. It should grow in this vicinity where there are so many opportunities for its practice. The gentlemen named above are rapidly becoming experts in the handling of the skis.

Fresh oysters. Stews, 25c; fries, 35c. Barclay's restaurant.

### Enlived the Hills and Dales.

A merry bob sled party last evening enlived the hills and dales of the city with their joyous laughter and merriment. The party was composed of residents of the Hotel Riley who chartered a large sled and invaded the surrounding country. Those composing the crowd were: Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gobelman, Misses Genevieve Howard, Pearl Nichols, Mae Patterson, Messrs R. B. Hayes, G. B. Mann, and A. E. Quinn.

### County Judge's Office.

A license has been issued for the marriage of Arthur Burkholder, aged 22 of Octavia, Neb., and Miss Elda Quellhorst, aged 27 of Alvo. The couple will be married at the home of the bride's parents at Alvo.

A hearing on claims was had in the Anna Krolek estate today. The claim of Frank Krolek for \$300 for care and attendance upon the deceased being contested. The court allowed the claim as asked, including medicines and the like.

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