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REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION OF THE PLATTSMOUTH COMMERCIAL CLUB

A Very Harmonious and Interesting Meeting, and a Great Deal of Important Business Transacted, Including Retaking of the Census of Plattsmouth

From Friday's Daily.

The members of the Commercial club met at their rooms in the Coates' block last evening, and after President Pollock had called the house to order, Secretary Wescott read the minutes of the previous meeting, which occurred in February, the March meeting having been postponed on account of illness of some of the officers.

Communications were then taken up, and bills were presented and allowed as follows: A bill for \$2 postage, presented by the secretary, the first of the kind presented since the organization of the club, was allowed; a bill for printing circulars and cards and other jobs for a year in the sum of \$26, was allowed; a bill for rent, amounting to \$40, of which the Knights and Ladies of Security had paid \$4.50 and the Sewing club had paid about \$18.50, leaving \$21.50 for the club to pay, was presented for the quarter ending April 1. In the discussion over the bill it was disclosed that the rent contracted to be paid by the Knights and Ladies of Security was \$9 per quarter, and that the society had deducted one-half the bill on account of the hall not being in shape to hold meetings on some occasions. A motion was made and voted to notify the society to pay the remaining \$4.50 or vacate the hall, or words to that effect not quite so diplomatic.

A communication from Senator Brown reporting on the census provoked considerable discussion. Mayor Sattler was present and was called on for his idea of the feasibility of retaking the census and the probable result. The mayor, with others, seemed to think that the census had not been carefully canvassed at the cases being known of persons who had not been included in the last count. Mr. Falter stated that the party calling at his residence would not take his two daughters, who were absent at school. Mr. Schneider thought the city had been carefully canvassed at the time and that a different result would not be reached. Other members thought many in the suburbs had been missed, and it was moved and voted to retake the census, and to recommend this to the council at its next meeting.

The secretary reported that the Smith factory wanted twenty more girls at the factory to run machines.

A communication from the Red Men, asking the club to have the light company turn on the arches and place the arc lights in the street for Friday night. Mr. C. C. Parmele stated that he would take the matter up with the light company and have the street lighted.

A communication from George M. Campen, consulting engineer, offering to make a thorough investigation of the water system and plant and place a valuation

on the same for the sum of \$150, was read and discussed. The engineer proposed to examine the stand pipe, water pipes by taking up sections of the pipe, and the pumps and place a valuation on the whole, also to estimate what the plant could be reproduced for new, with electricity as the motive power, all for the sum above named. After some discussion for and against, the matter was remanded to the committee to act upon as best suited their judgment.

The committee appointed to look after building a new jail was called on to report, and did so, stating that the matter had been taken up with the county attorney and the county commissioners and that there was some vagueness about the statute, but that the doubts would be resolved in favor of counting the vote last cast on the proposition, and that a majority of the votes cast on the proposition would probably be held to be sufficient, but the officers hesitated, under the existing uncertainty, to move in the matter. The matter was referred to a committee with power to act.

Mr. Tidd produced and read, on motion of a member of the club, two ordinances, one governing pool halls and the other occupational taxes. Both ordinances were recommended to the council for its favorable consideration by a vote of the membership. During the discussion of the occupational ordinance, which lasted some time, the Beatrice method of handling transient vendors of goods was favorably commented on. This plan places the matter in the hands of the health department of the city, and will require each peddler to undergo an examination at the hands of the city physician for the purpose of determining whether an infectious or contagious disease lurks in his system, and for the examination each person examined is required to pay a fee of \$10. The plan met with the hearty approval of the health committee, and the entire membership was in favor of protecting the community from contagious diseases in this manner.

Some of the hotelkeepers in the city say this may be pretty hard on their business, but what is for the best interests of the community will be cheerfully submitted to by them.

Superintendent Abbott was present and responded to a request for remarks, in a pleasant vein. Mr. Abbott advocated the mayor's plan of having the city cleaned up on Arbor day. He had been already doing something for his own premises, and if he could induce his neighbor, Secretary Wescott, to desist from chasing the filthy dollars for a short time and remove some of the rubbish on his premises the bill would be in fine shape, or words to that effect. Mr. Abbott's address was cheerfully applauded.

At a very late hour the meeting adjourned, having disposed of a large mass of business.

KENSINGTON MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. REESE

The Ladies of the St. Mary's Guild of St. Luke's Church Enjoy a Pleasant Afternoon.

From Thursday's Daily.

The ladies of the St. Mary's Guild of St. Luke's church held a most delightful kensington at the charming home of Mrs. Eva Reese yesterday afternoon. Whenever invited to the Reese home the ladies always expect a royal time and their expectations were fully realized in the entertainment of yesterday. They had come prepared to have a most enjoyable time, especially made so, when Mrs. Reese was so ably assisted in entertaining her guests by a fine committee of ladies, consisting of Mesdames F. G. Egenberger, J. C. Petersen, Walter Scott, Robert Windham, Jr., A. L. Tidd; Misses Anna Egenberger and Alice Eaton.

These kensingtons are held once a month at the home of some one of the members, and which are in charge of a committee of ladies which has been selected by the president of the society. A few of the hurrying minutes yesterday were very industriously spent in working on dainty needlework, interspersed with social conversation, after which they listened to a musical program, which the ladies of the committee had previously arranged, and which was so alluring that the ladies laid aside their fancy work.

Mrs. H. S. Austin rendered a vocal solo in a very charming manner, and Miss Gretchen Donnelly contributed a beautiful vocal solo, a very appropriate one, in that she sang of the April showers and the like. Waldemar Soennichsen furnished a piano solo, and, as usual, made a hit with the company, as there is no one who hears Waldemar play once too often. Miss Barbara Clement gave a very pretty number in the shape of a vocal solo. Miss Clement has a very sweet voice and her singing was very much appreciated by those present. A piano duet was given by Misses Dorothy Britt and Ruth Chapman, which was brilliantly executed; everybody always enjoys hearing these young ladies play together. Another pleasing feature of this very entertaining program was the readings contributed by Miss Anderson, which were most thoroughly enjoyed. Her manner and style of reciting well showed her to be a finished reader. A piano solo was given by Miss Freiday, which also greatly assisted in making the program a very entertaining one.

Following this program daintily, as well as delicious, refreshments, consisting of sherbert and cake, were served, which was likewise thoroughly enjoyed. For the occasion the rooms of the Reese home had been handsomely decorated with asparagus, ferns, tulips and carnations.

There was a very large attendance and the ladies realized over \$6. It was a late hour of the afternoon when all took their departure, having enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent, and voting Mrs. Reese and the ladies of the committee splendid entertainers and the occasion one of the most delightful they have attended for some time.

In Judge Archer's Court.

From Thursday's Daily.

A case was filed in Judge Archer's court this morning, the plaintiff being G. W. Homan, who complained of one George Barr, that he unlawfully detained certain real estate, more particularly described as lot 3, in block 171, belonging to the plaintiff. Mr. Barr having occupied the premises as a tenant of Mr. Homan, but neglected to remove from the same now that his lease had expired. Mr. Barr was notified some three days ago that Mr. Homan desired possession, but it is a pretty busy time to move, and so the tenant remained. There will be a hearing on the matter next Monday.

Eggs for Sale.

B. P. R. eggs for sale, 75c per 15, \$4.00 per 100. Toulouse eggs, \$1.50 per dozen. Mrs. Wm. Troop, Nehawka, Neb. 3-16-twky.

Sent to School for Blind.

Glee Wilson, a member of the public schools, whose eyesight has been very bad, was this morning sent to the school for the blind at Nebraska City. Superintendent Abbott discovered that the boy could not do the work here, owing to his deficient eyesight, and secured his admittance to that institution.

UPSETS LAUNDRY WAGON YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Spills the Laundry and Then Takes the Wagon Up the Street on Its Side.

From Thursday's Daily.

Last evening while the boy was delivering laundry on North Eleventh, between Main and Vine streets, the boy steed attached to the Pierson wagon performed a few stunts which was amusing to the bystanders, and resulted in but a slight loss to the proprietor of the laundry.

A package of laundry was being delivered to the Bob Gibson home, and while the driver was in the yard the fractious nag endeavored to climb the bank in pursuit of the blue grass growing there. The incline is rather abrupt and when the wagon was drawn almost to the top over it went, throwing one thill over the horse's back and the other under his belly, and apparently creating some discomfort, for the beast began to run toward Main street, kicking at every jump. The laundry wagon was dragged at the animal's heels and laundry strewn along the route.

The runaway horse tired before it got half a block, as the wagon did not glide over the ground, being dragged on its side, and at command of "Whoa, Charley," yelled by a resident of the vicinity, the horse came to a dead stop and began to eat grass. The tugs and thill straps were soon unloosed and the wagon righted. The only damage was a broken cross-piece between the thills on which the singletree is attached. This was readily repaired with some wire and the delivery of laundry proceeded.

SPENDING MORE MONEY USELESSLY ON JAIL

Repairing the Cass County Bastile in Order to Keep It Together.

Harry Johnson and a force of men have been employed for a few days in repairing the exterior of the walls on the upper story of the county jail. A coat of concrete has been placed upon the brick, which will no doubt prevent the rain from penetrating the walls and rendering the rooms above and the cells below uninhabitable. Last spring the rain, driven by the wind, soaked the walls and the paper in the living rooms fell off, and the iron gratings in the cells rusted, presenting to the prisoner with aesthetic taste a very distressing appearance.

The repairs were absolutely necessary, as there will of necessity have to be a place to keep the violators of the law until the new jail is built and ready for use, which may require some time. The plans have not been drawn yet, nor the material ordered for the new structure.

Horse Is Found.

The valuable horse which Sam Shoemaker had shipped from Beatrice and which was supposed to have been stolen from the car, was found at Doke, the first station north of Beatrice, the point of shipment. The horse was placed in the car loose, and it is now supposed that a tramp opened the door and stole a ride and left the door open or ajar and the motion of the train opened it and the horses prang out. The animal did not appear to be damaged and Mr. Shoemaker reloaded it and shipped it to Plattsmouth.

Prof. F. J. Kolbaba departed for Omaha this afternoon, where he will impart skill in using the violin to a large class of the Omaha youth for the next three days.

JUDGE TRAVIS TALKS CASE UNDER ADVISEMENT

The Crabtree-Porter Case Finished Yesterday Afternoon, but Not Decided.

From Friday's Daily.

The case of Crabtree vs. Porter, pending in the district court yesterday and the day before, was submitted to the court yesterday afternoon, the arguments of the attorneys occupying but a short time. The evidence and arguments in the case disclosed that the controversy between the parties arose over a note of \$2,000, signed by the husband of the plaintiff, Mr. Crabtree, as principal, and by the father of the parties to the suit, Mr. Samuel J. Fleming, as surety. The plaintiff and her husband executed a mortgage on Mrs. Crabtree's interest in her father's real estate after his death to the Bank of Cass County, which had advanced the money to Mr. Crabtree. This security was not considered good from some cause, probably on account of the married women's act protecting a married woman from the effects of contracts not drawn to bind her separate property. The administrator of the estate was advised to procure a quit-claim deed of the plaintiff's interest, in lieu of the mortgage, which was done.

Mrs. Crabtree's contention in the present litigation was that she made the deed as a security for the debt of \$2,000 furnished her husband and this deed should be construed as a mortgage, and she allowed to redeem from the mortgage, and thus receive some part of the residue of her father's estate over and above the \$2,000, which had been paid by the estate to the bank on her husband's obligation.

Judge Travis took the main point in the case under advisement, requesting the attorneys to furnish him with briefs on the theory that there should be an accounting, but stated that it was not to be taken for granted that he would order an accounting.

Will Give Banquet Tonight.

From Friday's Daily.

The members of the German club of the High school are arranging to have a fine time this evening, in the nature of a banquet, which will be held at the home of John Falter on North Third street. This club is composed of the members of the Junior and Senior classes, who are taking German as a study, and Miss Johnston, who is the instructor of the German classes of the High school, is the leader of the club.

This club has been meeting at the homes of the members every other week for the past few months, and this being the last time they will meet together as the German club, it was decided to make it some elaborate affair and an occasion which will long be remembered, and arrangements for this banquet were immediately begun. There will be a program and some toasts will be given, everything to be said and done in the German dialect; even the menu will not only be spelled in German, but also written in the German script. This will certainly make a most delightful evening's entertainment and the Journal hopes to have a more extended account of this very pleasant affair in its columns in tomorrow's issue.

To Attend Funeral.

From Saturday's Daily.

Mrs. J. Matteson and children and her sister, Mrs. L. M. Kuhney, departed for Omaha this afternoon to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Thomas King, who died yesterday. Mr. King was married to their sister, Miss Florence McClain, at Council Bluffs little more than a year ago. He has been sick for several months with consumption. The funeral will occur tomorrow morning at 8:30 from the residence of Mrs. King's brother, C. E. McClain, and from there the funeral procession will go to the Catholic church, where the public funeral services will be held.

Judge H. D. Travis, with Court Reporter Earl Travis, left for Nebraska City this morning, where they will continue the Otoe county court.

Returns to Quarantine.

From Friday's Daily.

Superintendent of the Shops William Baird was called from the shops this forenoon by his wife, whose illness was mentioned in yesterday's Journal, and Mr. Baird immediately left for his home and returned to quarantine, Mrs. Baird not being so well this morning. Robert's condition was somewhat improved. It is hoped that Mrs. Baird may not be seriously ill, but her continual watching by the bedside of her little son has doubtless exhausted her strength.

A PIONEER IN THE SERVICE OF THE CHURCH

Walter J. White, Elected Vestryman in 1866, Has Been Official of Church Ever Since.

An item in yesterday's Bee calling attention to the long term of service as vestryman of Mr. Henry W. Yates of Omaha, stirred the memories of some of the pioneers of this city. Mr. Walter J. White of this city has a record of church service equal if not long than that of Mr. Yates, who has been a senior warden for twenty-five years.

Mr. White was elected vestryman of this parish on Easter Monday, 1866, and has held the office of treasurer, junior warden and senior warden. He was elected senior warden twenty-five years ago and has been re-elected to the same position every year since, and was re-elected last Monday to serve for another year. Mr. White was a delegate to the first diocesan convention in this state, which convened in Omaha. He took part in the deliberations of the convention which named the Nebraska diocese.

In addition to being one of the foremost church men of the city, Mr. White is a pioneer, having come to Nebraska in June, 1857, and had resided here more than ten years when the present Episcopal house of worship was erected. This edifice has an interesting history, which we hope to be able to give at some later date. The church was built in 1866 and consecrated in 1867, having been erected and presented to the parish by Mrs. Edmond Murray Young of New York as a memorial to her deceased husband.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. L. J. MAYFIELD

She Passes Away Early This Morning of Acute Attack of Indigestion.

From Friday's Daily.

Mrs. Lee Mayfield, wife of the editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, died very suddenly at her home in Louisville this morning from an acute attack of indigestion. Besides her husband Mrs. Mayfield leaves four children to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Mayfield was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick V. Ash, residents of this county for a great many years. The deceased leaves brothers and sisters also to mourn her sudden death. The funeral arrangements had not been announced when the writer's informant left Louisville. Mr. Mayfield has the sympathy of a large circle of friends in this, the hour of his sad bereavement.

Investigate Stock Market.

From Thursday's Daily.

Mr. Charles Criswisher and wife and family have been visiting Mr. Criswisher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Criswisher, for a few days, intending to return to their home this morning, but the children became sick and the trip home was postponed. Charles boarded the morning M. P. train for South Omaha to get a line on the cattle market, he having four loads which are about ready for the block.

FOR SHERIFF.

I hereby announce by self as a candidate for the nomination for the office of sheriff of Cass county, Nebraska, subject to the decision of the voters at the coming primary election. I ask the voters to place me in nomination on the democratic ticket. G. P. Barton, Union, Neb.

LIST OF CASES FOR MAY TERM OF DISTRICT COURT

Cases Set for the First Three Days of Said Term, Beginning Tuesday, May 2.

Judge Travis furnishes the following for publication for the benefit of the parties interested: Tuesday, May 2.—Herold vs. Coates; State vs. Becker; in re Vallery (habes corpus); McDonald vs. McDonald.

Wednesday, May 3.—Gillis vs. M. P. Railway Co.; Pankonin vs. Gorder; Van Acken vs. Brunhoeber.

Thursday, May 4.—Cass County vs. City of Plattsmouth; Clark vs. Fleischman.

If a case is settled, dismissed or continued, then the case fol-

lowing will take the place of the case so disposed of.

House Party at Nebraska City.

Misses Barbara and Mia Egenberger, Dora Fricke and Verna Leonard went down to Nebraska City yesterday to join Mrs. Edith Donelan, who has been in that city for the past few days, to attend a house party to be given at the home of Mrs. Donelan's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Casper Thygeson. They will remain for several days, and we are informed that a reception was to have been given last evening in honor of the visiting ladies, which no doubt was a most enjoyable affair.

Mr. D. B. Porter and wife and son, Glyde, of near Murray, were in the city yesterday attending the suit pending in the district court.