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DOUBLE ELOPEMENT.

Two Young Girls Enticed Away
By Guileful Men.

A SAIL DOWN THE MISSOURI.

John Jones and Charles Yoelke Steel Geo. Grebe's Boat and, in Company With Cora Bryant and Lizzie Anthony, Row Away.

For some years a young man of rather unsavory reputation, named Charles Yoelke, has resided in town. He is said to be the unworthy son of an old soldier. He appeared to have but little to do, but had time to acquire a reputation in police circles. For a brief period he has braced up a little and has been paying attentions to Miss Cora Bryant, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Tom Bryant, a resident of Happy Hollow. Bryant did not encourage the intimacy of his daughter with Yoelke and would not permit him to enter his house. Nevertheless, the girl was apparently fascinated by Yoelke and met him and kept in his company whenever she could. Last Saturday night Bryant came home near bed time and found the two talking at the gate. He passed into the house, retired and soon the daughter, he supposed, did likewise. It seems, however, that a plan had been agreed on for the two to run away. In the morning Bryant found his daughter gone and with her had gone her wardrobe, which was none too large or luxurious. He informed the police.

George Grebe, an employe of the B. & M., who was the happy owner of a boat, which he had moored near Rocky Point, soon after discovered that his boat, with a neighbor's oars, was gone.

It was not long after this that a young man named Anthony, residing southeast of town, came down town and began making inquiries as to the whereabouts of his sister, Lizzie, a giddy girl of fifteen, whom he said had run away from home with John Jones, the husband of his elder sister. He said both of them had disappeared the night before, and he wanted Jones arrested. Jones is also a man of little worth and a bit companion of Yoelke.

Putting these various facts together it was guessed that these parties had stolen Grebe's boat and rowed down the river, taking the girls with them as company, and, of course for no good purpose. It seems that, young as she is, the Anthony girl has not been as pure as an angel before.

LATER—John Jones and his giddy sister-in-law, Miss Cora Anthony, whom he took with him, returned to town Monday evening and Jones was at once taken in by the police for the theft of Mr. Grebe's boat. He was tried Tuesday before Justice Archer and given a sentence of thirty days in jail. He told to the officers a tale of utter innocence. He said the party had started for Missouri to take up a homestead, and then he meant to send for his wife. They traded the boat near the Missouri line, however, for a shot-gun and \$1 in money, and footed it home.

The Bryant girl, who is a cripple and not very bright, arrived at home about 8 o'clock this morning, having walked from Union. There were blisters on her feet as big as silver dollars and she was very nearly exhausted by her long tramp in her crippled condition. She said that young Yoelke came with her as far as Union, where she left him to come home. He was afraid to return. The whole affair was a most senseless escapade.

The state Pharmaceutical association, of which our very worthy fellow citizen, Henry R. Gering, has been president for the past year, has had its annual convention at Omaha this week. The association is a live affair, with a membership of several hundred, from all parts of the state. Much business was done and many excellent papers were read, tending to advance the knowledge of its members. Mr. Gering is spoken of very highly as an efficient official.

The writer hereof, having seen all the bicycle riders in the Omaha amateur contest try their metal, is clearly of the opinion that Harvey Holloway is as good, if not better than the best, and, barring accidents, has a splendid chance of winning the race. It is a trial, not only of speed, but of management, or head-work, and the Cass county boy is no dullard.

To Our Friends in Cass County:

Now that the sole purpose of the managers of THE JOURNAL will be to publish a weekly newspaper, and we wish it to be a reflex of the news of Cass county, we are especially anxious to secure correspondents from every precinct in the county who will collect and give us the news from their several neighborhoods while it is fresh and readable. Democrats in the county who have opinions on current topics to express are also invited to write them down and send to us for publication. Do not be afraid to express your opinions, because they are just what other men desire to read. Write for THE JOURNAL.

Increased Time in the Shops.

In recognition of the fact that a fair crop is now assured for Nebraska because of the abundant rainfall of the past week, the B. & M. management gave orders Monday for an increase of an hour's time in nearly all the departments of their shops in this city. Thus the men who were working eight hours were put on for nine, while the nine-hour men were given ten hours' work. There is said to be a rush of work in every department, and the prospect is for better times in the future. The fact is, very much repair work has been put off just as long as possible, and only such stock has been repaired, in all the different lines, as was absolutely necessary to do the business that came to hand. Now, that a fair prospect exists of their being work for the lines to do the coming season, this do-nothing policy has been changed to one of activity, so that when the work comes to hand the company may be in a condition to do it in short order.

A Water Pressure Test.

The fire department was called out Monday evening to make a test of the pressure of the hydrants on Main street. Four hydrants were opened, the hose attached and water was thrown, it was estimated, from forty to eighty feet high from each nozzle. That is, from one of the nozzles it was thought the water reached the eighty-foot mark, but the others lacked a good deal of it. The test was made under orders of Chairman White of the water committee. Committeeman Grimes knew nothing of the matter and went to Omaha that afternoon. He is quite put out about the matter. The test came a good deal below expectations. It is reported that the city engineer, who measured the streams, says one measured 104 feet.

The Woman's Club.

At the last meeting of this organization the following officers were chosen for the coming year:

President—Mrs. M. B. Stoutenborough.

Vice president—Mrs. Alice Cummings.

Secretary—Mrs. Nannie Sherman.

Treasurer—Mrs. Kate Davis.

Cor. Sec.—Mrs. Elizabeth Travis.

It was decided that the club should have department work next year, under the following leadership:

Art—Mrs. Snyder.

Music—Miss Burgess.

Literature—Mrs. Chapman.

Parliamentary Law—Mrs. Travis.

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AN APPALLING DISASTER.

Four Railroad Men Go Down to Death at Edison Creek.

Dispatches from McCook state that the most appalling accident in the annals of railroading in southwestern Nebraska occurred at 9 o'clock Sunday night about midway between Oxford and Edison, a few hundred feet beyond where Turkey creek crosses the Burlington railroad. As a result, B. V. Haley, roadmaster; Frank Jeffries, engineer; C. C. Rowell, fireman, and Samuel Mundy, brakeman, are dead, and Frank Harris, private secretary to Superintendent Campbell of the western division, is painfully burned about the right leg, has a broken bone in his right hand and is bruised generally.

The dead men were frightfully mangled, two being dead when found, another dying shortly after being taken from the wreck and Roadmaster Haley dying Monday morning.

A crew and train left McCook Sunday morning for the purpose of cribbing up any washouts that might occur between Cambridge and Oxford as a result of the heavy rains of the previous night. They found everything safe until they passed the Turkey creek bridge, a few miles east of Edison. Here four men out of six on the locomotive found sudden, unexpected, terrible death. The high waters had eaten away a hole thirty feet wide and ten feet deep in the railroad embankment, leaving the rails and cross-ties apparently intact. Into this opening the ponderous locomotive plunged. The freight car next to the engine crashed on top of it.

A train was rushed to the scene of the accident from McCook and the labor of releasing the imprisoned victims from the wreck was quickly performed. The bodies of the dead men arrived at McCook, where their families live, at 5 o'clock Monday morning. Roadmaster Haley leaves a wife and three young children, Engineer Jeffries a wife and six young children, and Fireman Rowell a wife and one young daughter. Brakeman Mundy was single. His remains have been taken to Aurora, Ill., for interment. All carried more or less life insurance.

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOLS.

A Class of Ten—Two Boys and Eight Girls—Graduated From the City Schools.

The school year came to an end last week with becoming ceremonies. The graduating class was made up as follows:

William N. Baird, Luke L. Wiles, Laura E. Gault, Rose L. Byers, Minna White, Anna Sullivan, Mattie Catmack, Matilda Vallery, Maud Rennie, Blanche Kennedy.

The class day exercises took place at White's opera house on Thursday evening last and the program consisted in a laughable extravaganza, entitled "The Was, The Is, The Is To Be," which was executed in a decidedly refreshing and successful manner by the class.

"The Was" brought forcibly to mind the early school days, and kept the audience convulsed with laughter.

"The Is" showed the fair girl graduates in becoming gowns with their two brothers, which formed an interesting class of ten.

"The Is To Be" was a serio-comic glimpse at the future, which entertained the crowd.

"What It Is To Be a Senior" was the subject chosen by Miss Anna Sullivan, which she handled with a wealth of fact and logic that brought old school days vividly back to many listeners. Luke Wiles delivered a good address to the juniors, which they might heed to their advantage.

The graduating exercises were continued over till Friday evening, at the Presbyterian church, when Prof. Marble of Omaha delivered a scholarly lecture on the "Beauties of Our Mother Tongue"—the English language. The professor has not the best delivery in the world and his discourse was quite lengthy, so that some persons in the audience became impatient, but those who had patience to follow the lecturer through regard it as a production of rare merit.

The professor, in a neat address, presented the diplomas to the graduates.

The exercises were varied by the rendering of several vocal selections that were received delightfully.

The recipients of the diplomas accepted them with becoming dignity, and were also presented with bushels of flowers. The girls, to use the common phrase, "looked just too sweet for anything."

Tom Walling, abstractor of titles, Todd block. Guarantees accuracy of all his work. 25tf.

Six-Day Bicycle Race.

People of this city, regardless of age, sex, politics, religion or previous condition of servitude, are getting to be greatly interested in the amateur bicycle race which is coming off this week in Omaha—the participants riding two and a half hours each evening—from 8 o'clock till 10:30. Twelve men were entered for the race, but thus far five of these have dropped out, leaving seven on the track. The chief reason for the interest exhibited in the race in Plattsmouth is the fact that Harvey Holloway, the conceded champion long-distance rider in Cass county, is in the race, with a reasonably fair chance to win. The race began on Monday evening. The most terrific pace ever seen in the west was set by a boy of seventeen, named Edgill—he having made exactly twenty-two miles the first hour, during which time he gained nearly one mile on the best other riders—a part of which he lost later on, however. There was a big crowd present and it nearly went wild over the boy's accomplishments. The race is taking place in the Coliseum, on a board track, requiring ten laps, or circles, to make a mile.

Tuesday night's race showed the leaders all well up to the front and remarkably even.

On Wednesday night there was a bigger crowd than ever and there were spells of excitement in which the spectators seemed to grow wild. Holloway got a new and lighter racing wheel during the day and was doing good work with it when Fredrickson followed so close on a turn as to strike his pedal, throwing both and badly bending parts of the wheel, so he had to go back to his former mount. He lost two laps in time, and it was one of the events of the evening to see him make those laps back off the others.

At the close of the race Wednesday night the score stood: Fredrickson, 149.7; Edgill, 150.2; Holloway, 149.5, with five others trailing after, two to fifty miles. The feature of tonight's racing, it is said, will be the effort of Holton, a man who dropped out of the race last night, to win a gold watch, offered as a special prize, by making the best record for the evening.

A special train has been engaged for Saturday night to carry Plattsmouth people who wish to see the performance at its close. The management of the affair seems to be doing all it can to make it a fair race, despite the reports of the Omaha Bee, and there is no effort to beat anybody or treat any of the riders unfairly.

Regarding the Insane.

The question, what shall we do with our insane, has again come to the front and is giving our county officials considerable worry. Last night Judge Campbell received a letter from Lincoln stating that Mrs. Janda has been pronounced incurably insane and demanding that Otoe county remove her as soon as possible. She cannot be sent to the Hastings hospital, as that asylum is crowded to its utmost. She must be taken from Lincoln but where will she be kept? It seems but little short of murder to put her in that dark, unwholesome hole called a county jail and that is the only place where she can be kept.—Nebraska City News.

County Convention of the W. C. T. U.

The several W. C. T. U. unions of Cass county will meet in a two days' session at Nehawka, beginning Friday afternoon, June 14th, with Mrs. Celia Kirkpatrick as president and Mrs. A. P. Weston as secretary.

The program for the meeting is quite elaborate, embracing many interesting features, including addresses by Mesdames W. L. Cannon, A. B. Churchill, Kirkpatrick, L. A. Wilson, M. A. Wakelia and Miss Maud Rennie. A Demorest gold medal will be contended for by various elocutionists.

John C. Hartigan Marries.

A dispatch from Hastings says: "John C. Hartigan of Fairbury and Miss Nellie Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Brown of this city, were married at St. Mark's this afternoon (June 5) at 4 o'clock in the presence of a large number of invited friends and relatives. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. B. Burgess of Plattsmouth. Mr. and Mrs. Hartigan will make their home at Fairbury."

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Plattsmouth high school alumni was held Wednesday evening at Hotel Riley, including in its program a banquet. The association numbers some 75 members. It goes without saying that the young people had a nice time.

IN AND AROUND THE TOWN.

Dr. Marshall, DENTIST Fitzgerald block.

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Bright skies look down upon this part of the Lord's moral vineyard and everybody is happy.

The rain of last Thursday was not as general over the county as could have been desired.

Rev. Dr. L. F. Britt delivered the address on Decoration day at Humbolt, Pawnee county.

Thomas E. Williams and wife of Louisville precinct were visitors in town today.

Miss Mattie Carmack, one of the high school graduates, has gone to North Platte for a visit.

W. J. Hesser, the horticulturist and florist, has gone to Colorado on business. He has many customers out that way.

Misses Mia and Barbara Gering and Dora Fricke attended the meeting of the druggists convention at Omaha this week.

Rev. J. T. Baird's sermon to the graduating class last Sunday morning was highly appreciated and was a word fitly spoken.

Jack Johnson of the Iowa bottoms was in town on business the other day. He is a hard worker and knows how to make money.

The Sherwin-Williams prepared paint covers most, looks best, wears longest, is most economical and of full measure. Sold by F. G. Fricke & Co.

With a splendid prospect for a crop this summer the merchants of Plattsmouth ought to strike out for the trade that is to follow. Now is the time to move.

Dick Stultz and a companion caught a fine specimen of German carp among the willows near the water works on Wednesday. It weighed twenty-five pounds.

This is the best time of the year to paint your houses, barns and fences. F. G. Fricke & Co., keep a full stock of the best prepared paints in the market, at low prices.

A Story & Camp organ, in first class condition, good as new, to trade for a good fresh cow. Apply to Mrs. G. F. S. Burton, Marblestreet, Plattsmouth, or postoffice box 103.

John Newham, one of the thrifty farmers of Weeping Water precinct, was in town last Friday on business. He says for the time of year the corn crop is much further advanced than is usual.

F. J. Morgan and wife, T. M. Patterson and wife and Chas. Eads and wife, with their "kleine kinder," picnicked at Bellevue on the 5th, during commencement exercises of the college.

The Greenwood and Ashland ball teams have lined up for three games this season—the Ashlands winning each game. The latest was on Saturday, the Ashlands winning by 17 to 11. The Cass county boys should brace up.

Sheriff Huberle captured the Dunbar postoffice and jewelry store burglars in a box car at Auburn last Wednesday night. They had a lot of the plunder in their possession, and were turned over to the U. S. postal authorities.

W. H. Dearing, clerk of the district court, departed Saturday last for Madison, Wis., to attend the session of the head camp of the Modern Woodmen of America, of which body he is railway secretary. He will return the latter part of this week.

The county commissioners have been in session this week, but nothing sensational has been done. True, the board had a small ruction with the sexton of Oak Hill cemetery over the amount charged for burying paupers, but that has blown over.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reynolds of Omaha, which died on Saturday, was brought down from Omaha Sunday and buried in the Oak Hill cemetery. Mrs. Reynolds (formerly Miss Houk) was a native of Plattsmouth and they were married and lived here for a time.

The June rise in the Missouri put in its first appearance Tuesday morning, and between nine and five o'clock the water had risen some four feet and had spread over the bar in front

of town. The first rise is said to have been largely due to a rise in the Platte, which was almost bank full.

Floyd Harshman of Avoca precinct and a man named John Gosney of Rawlins, Kas., will engage in a wrestling match on Monday evening next at Nebraska City for \$200 a side and the championship of the states of Nebraska and Kansas. The probabilities are that Harshman will meet the best man he ever wrestled with.

Jack Barry, a farmer living on the Iowa bottom, east of the big bridge, was thrown from a high spring wagon by a sudden lurch of the vehicle while crossing through Happy Hollow Tuesday evening and was severely bruised up and came near having his neck broken by the fall. Dr. Schildknecht was called and rendered surgical aid.

Elder Youtzy has determined upon holding a series of gospel meetings at the Christian church during the month of June each week-day evening except Saturday. He will be assisted in a song service by a Miss Parkinson. The elder is an entertaining and earnest preacher, and ought to be well supported by all the Christians in the effort to build up Christianity.

Mart Buttery, who is employed in the B. & M. storehouse, was the victim of an accident Wednesday morning that will disable him for some time. He was handling a heavy drawbar when in some way it fell upon the two smaller fingers of his left hand, crushing the flesh in a most painful manner. Dr. T. P. Livingston, the company's surgeon, placed the fingers in splints and hopes to save them.

Frank Messia of Mt. Pleasant precinct was a visitor in Plattsmouth on Tuesday. He says the condition of small grain is not very good, but is improving since the rains; that fall wheat is also improving, while the corn is looking splendidly for this time of the year. He thinks the warm weather of last week helped to put a good color into the corn, and in that way did it good. Farmers generally are wearing smiling faces.

Messrs. B. L. Kirkham, Wm. Benfe and Willard B. Wise, formerly employes of THE DAILY JOURNAL, are arranging to publish a daily paper in our office, and from our type. They have received flattering proposals of support, and think they will succeed. Being all printers they will be under no necessity of paying out money for help, and hope to make wages out of the enterprise—which will beat loafing by considerable.

Christian Metzger, a farmer son seventy years of age and quite feeble, who lives at Cedar Creek, met with an accident Tuesday afternoon while in town, which was a first thought to be serious. In attempting to come down a stairway into the Lehnhoff building he missed his footing and fell to the bottom. His nose was fractured and was given a bad shaking up. A crowd gathered, a stretcher was procured and he was carried to the Perkins house in a comatose condition but afterwards rallied and was taken home.

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