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DAY'S CHRONICLE.

What the People In and Around Plattsmouth Are Doing.

EVENING OF RARE AMUSEMENT

The Gahn-Dovey Concert Delights a Fair-sized Audience—Why the County Judge Didn't Go to Nebraska City—Other Notes.

The Gahn-Dovey Concert.

A fair-sized audience greeted Joseph Gahn and the Misses Dovey at the Presbyterian church Thursday night and were more than delighted with the programme rendered. Mr. Gahn entertained the audience with a very choice and varied list of numbers, all of which were rendered in the faultless style of this best of Nebraska's musicians. To particularize and name any of Mr. Gahn's numbers would do that gentleman a manifest injustice, as one then seemed to receive the same splendid rendering as another. He is an actual master of music and well deserved the encores accorded him by the audience. To speak of the Dovey sisters is to speak of Plattsmouth's own. These sweet singers did themselves proud and nothing more attested their popularity and their genuine worth than the hearty encores which followed their "Venetian Boat Song." The perfect contralto voice of Miss Ethel Dovey in Bertrand's charming "Crossing the Bar," and the clear soprano of Miss Alice in the ballad "Queen of the Night," aroused great enthusiasm. Both of these young ladies are talented artists, and no imported talent is necessary to insure an audience when they sing. The recital was under the management of Mr. Chas. Keefer to whose efforts the musicians and music lovers of this city owe much.

He Was Absent-Minded.

County Judge Spurlock, like all great men, is occasionally afflicted with absent-mindedness. It happened so yesterday. The judge is of a musical turn of mind, and purchased tickets to the Gahn-Dovey concert. He is also an enthusiastic Knight of Pythias, and when asked if he wouldn't go down with the rest of the crowd to attend the district session at Nebraska City last night, announced that he would. He purchased a ticket to Nebraska City and boarded the noon train with the rest of the "push." But about the time the train arrived at Murray, George remembered the concert and the lady he was to escort to the same, and when the train arrived at Union he disembarked and returned on the five o'clock train.

A \$10,000 Wheel.

Chief among the attractions presented at the bicycle show last evening was the \$10,000 woman's wheel, which arrived from the east yesterday, and was given the place of honor at the north end of the building. It is a beautiful piece of mechanism and is handsomely decorated with embossed silver and gold. The handles are of turned ivory, and the tube ends are set with amethysts, with circles of pearls. Upon the head of the front tube, forming the fork, is a large jewel set in solid gold, surrounded with smaller brilliants, and the rest of the machine is finished with—Omaha Bee.

The large barn belonging to Lewis Cole, seven and one half miles south of this city was totally destroyed by fire Sunday afternoon, together with ten tons of hay and considerable other property. Mr. Cole's seven-year-old son went into the barn and threw a lighted match into the hay and in a moment the entire structure was in flames. It was with great difficulty that a valuable stallion was rescued from the burning building.

Lehnhoff Bros. Tuesday received a fine new machine lathe from Rockford, Ill., which will be used exclusively for repairing bicycles. This firm anticipate an unusually brisk trade in the bicycle line the coming season. They have already received orders for several wheels, and not a day passes but that one or more people make inquiries of them with a view of purchasing.

Wanted, at Once.

Twenty-five good second-hand bicycles. Will pay cash for them. LEHNHOFF BROS. Plattsmouth, Neb.

A Change in the Insanity Board.

The fact was developed and became public Monday, for the first time, that one of the after-election acts of Judge Chapman was a change made in the membership of the insanity board—the second change that has occurred within many years. By this action, A. Beeson, Esq., and Dr. J. H. Hall have gone out and A. J. Graves and Dr. E. W. Cook have been appointed. The parties who were removed were never notified and knew nothing about it till Sunday last, and very naturally they feel hurt about it and regard the matter as a piece of political spite-work on the part of the defeated judge, and point to it, in addition, as a species of discourtesy to the newly-elected judge (Ramsey), who was by right entitled to make the change, if any were desired. The matter has created no end of personal bitterness and is regarded as a very small piece of business on the part of the late judge.

The Free Silver League.

At the meeting called for a conference of the advocates of bimetallicism at the office of the police judge, Judge Archer himself was called to the chair. F. J. Morgan was authorized to prepare a heading for signatures of those who desire to become members of the league, and to keep the list for signature at his store. On motion an invitation was extended to Wm. J. Bryau to deliver a non-partizan address to the people of this city and vicinity on bimetallicism at an early date, to be named by him, and Messrs. C. W. Sherman, John M. Leyda and H. G. Livingston were appointed a committee to make arrangements for the meeting, with instructions to secure a hall and music if deemed necessary. On motion, Prof. Frank McClelland was invited to preside on that occasion.

A Genuine Surprise.

Last evening, at the close of the services at the Methodist church to the surprise of the pastor and his family, nearly the entire congregation followed them to the parsonage and insisted on paying them a call, and when the doors were opened and the people crowded in it was disclosed that all had carried with them a package, and these were deposited on the tables, floor and chairs, until the dining room was well filled with "pound" donations to the pastoral larder. The affair had been kept entirely from the family, and was, therefore, all the more acceptable. An impromptu reception was organized in the parlors, and for half an hour the pastor and his good wife were busy shaking hands with the members of their flock. It was a most pleasant reunion.

Would Be Free.

Betty Burnett is the latest applicant for relief from the fetters of matrimony. Her husband is Wesley Burnett, and both parties live in the vicinity of Rock Bluffs. The plaintiff alleges in her petition that her spouse has used extreme cruelty toward her, has called her a "strumpet" and various other pet names, and has failed to provide for her as a husband should. She further alleges that she is the owner of "some chickens, one hog, four pigs, one heifer and one four-year-old horse" and prays that she be given the custody of this collection, along with suitable alimony and an absolute divorce.

The Burnett Divorce.

Mention was made in Saturday's issue of THE JOURNAL of the filing of a divorce suit by Betty Burnett against Wesley Burnett upon the ground of cruelty. It now develops that the couple separated some time ago on account of the husband suspecting a too liberal friendship between his wife and a prominent young man of Rock Bluff. Burnett promises a real ray trial when the case comes on for hearing and vows that he will make life a weary burden for Betty and her festive lad by exposing all the facts.

J. H. Thrasher received Friday the copy of a paper issued by the regimental association of the 19th Illinois, in which regiment he served Uncle Sam during the late war. It contains a cut of the regimental monument erected on the battlefield of Chancellorsville, together with a list of the killed and wounded of its number in that battle. It is a souvenir of which Mr. Thrasher will ever be proud.

A new business house is to be opened in town shortly. Hulbert Goodwin, of Hiawatha, Kas., has brought a stock of goods to town and will probably open the same in the east room of the Anheuser-Busch block. The establishment will be known as the "Wonder." There is room for more.

THE CITY IS SUED.

Water Company Commences An Action to Recover \$3,937.50.

RETURN DANCE TO THE LADIES

Waterman's Hall the Scene of a Merry Throng of the Elite of Plattsmouth Society—Other Happenings Around the Town.

The Water Company Sues.

Monday afternoon Judge Chapman filed in the United States district court the petition in the long expected water company suit against the city. The plaintiff is represented to be H. M. Plumer, and he claims to be the owner of the claim for \$3,937.50. The petition alleges a transfer of the account from the company to Plumer. Mr. Plumer is quite well known in this city, having been here on business a number of times. His residence is in Rochester, N. H. The case is the outgrowth of the alleged failure of the company to furnish water up to the contract and also failing to keep the fire pressure up to the contract. The city council has been refusing to allow the claims for the last nine months and will make a hard fight.

The Return Dance.

A week or so ago the young ladies of this city gave their initial leap year dancing party to their young gentlemen friends, and Monday evening a return dance was given at Waterman's hall. The affair was a decided social success and the merry throng waltzed to the charming music of the Tuxedo Mandolin club until after twelve o'clock. The party terminated in a grand banquet at the Hotel Riley. Those present were the following: Messrs. and Mesdames Logan Brown, A. L. Coleman, August Rheinbaker, Misses Rose Myers, Lulu Leist, Miss Saively of Crete, Bertha Nitka, Ida Boeck, Della Tartsch, Minnie White, Florence White, Annie Sullivan, Mable Urub, Jeanette Ballance, Menota Eikenbary, Hattie Sullivan, Clara Green, Mamie Sullivan, Mabel Swearingen, Tiddal of Crete, Wilson of Mankato, Minn., Minnie Sharp, Dora Swearingen, Myrtle Levings and Grace Walker, and Messrs. Chas. Sullivan, Carl Fricke, Frank Levings, John Schulhof, Harry Green, John Langston and Frank Ballance of Havelock, Dr. W. B. Elster, Lee Atwood, Henry Snyder, Henry Tartsch, Chas. Vallery, Will Myers, Frank White, Henry Goos, Henry Weidmann, Ray Waterman, Ray Wiles, Frank Wiles, Clyde Drew, and Sam Patterson of South Bend.

A Sad Affliction.

The many friends of Mrs. E. E. Hilton will be sorry to learn that failing health with which she has been afflicted for some time culminated Sunday in a very violent attack which necessitated the attendance of physicians. Her reason was discovered to be impaired, and a hearing before the insanity commission developed this fact. Sheriff Holloway, accompanied by Mesdames R. B. Windham and Ida Waggoner took the unfortunate lady to Lincoln yesterday morning. The family have the sincere sympathy of the community in their sad affliction, and Mrs. Hilton's recovery will be hoped for by all.

Woman's Club Notice.

Members of the Woman's club are requested to note the change of date for next meeting from Friday, Feb. 21, to Saturday, Feb. 22, at 7:30 o'clock sharp. Each member is requested to make a special effort to attend this meeting, as a splendid program has been arranged. The executive board is requested to meet promptly at 7 p. m.

The county superintendent, assisted by Miss Alice Wilson, is holding his monthly examination of those who desire a license to "teach the young idea how to shoot." Those being examined are Nellie Chalfant, Union; Alice Lewis, S. Clemons Bruner, Will Bailey, Plattsmouth; Fannie Livingston, Ida Bombak, Louisville; Bella Bollenbeck, Weeping Water; Mary Hanlon, Waverly; Adah Draper, Myrard; T. W. Faught, G. Grace Wiles of Murray.

FOR SALE—Good, second-hand two chair barber outfit—cheap. Address. KUHNEY BROS., Plattsmouth, Neb.

Dr. Marshall, Graduate DENTIST, Fitzgerald block.

DEATH OF HENRY KIRKHAM

Henry Kirkham, father of the local editor of THE JOURNAL of this city, died at 11:30 a. m. Saturday of erysipelas of bone in the foot, after an illness of some weeks. His age was seventy-two years and ten months. He was born in Maidley parish, Shropshire, England, April 24, 1823. Came to America in 1844 and located at Danville, Penn., where he married Miss Jane Brent in 1848, and lived there about ten years. He went to California in 1856 and worked in the gold mines about a year. He then came back to the "states" and settled in Brunswick, Mo., residing there four years. He also resided at Chatfield, Minnesota, three years and at Silver Box, Idaho, five years, and then came to Plattsmouth, where he resided for the past twenty-six years.

Mr. Kirkham was the father of seven children—six boys and a girl—three sons of whom are living, to-wit: Henry H. of Denver, and John E. and Bart. L. of this city.

Decensed was a man of character, was known and recognized for his strict honesty and integrity of purpose. He was not ambitious to appear prominent, but was a quiet, orderly citizen, devoted to his wife and children, and was highly esteemed as a neighbor and friend by all his acquaintances.

Laid at Rest.

All that was mortal of the remains of the late Henry Kirkham were laid away in the grave at Oak Hill cemetery on Monday afternoon. Services were held at St. Luke's church, of which deceased was a member, at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. H. B. Burgess officiating, in the presence of a large congregation. Mr. Burgess delivered a sermon of much power and effect, basing his remarks on Matt. 5th and 3d. "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven," applying the text to the deceased, whose character, he said was an exemplification thereof. The choir sang "Rock of Ages," and several other appropriate hymns, and at the completion of the services the friends were permitted to take a last look at the remains, and then the procession of carriages took up its march for the cemetery. The Episcopal service for the burial of the dead were performed at the grave.

The pall-bearers were: Messrs Isaac Cecil, Herman Herold, Wm. Ballance, J. Kepple, Robt. Sherwood and John Wieberg.

A Monument to Lincoln.

At the recent meeting of the G. A. R. Nebraska department encampment a resolution was adopted endorsing and commending a monument set on foot at Lincoln for the erection of a heroic statue of Abraham Lincoln to be placed on the capitol grounds at Lincoln, the funds to be raised by popular subscription. To this end John Currie, a Lincoln artist and monument builder, has undertaken to raise the required amount of money, and will also carve the statue, from a life-size model he has already made. The movement has the endorsement of Gov. Holcomb and all the state officers, and Mr. Currie is now in this city taking contributions for the fund. The marble for the monument—some forty tons—has been contributed from the Knoxville, Tenn., quarries, and three lines of railroads have donated the freight from Knoxville to Lincoln.

The Turner Dance.

At the Waterman hall last Saturday evening the Turners gave a delightful mask ball. The attendance was very large and an exceedingly delightful time was had. A very nice sum was realized from the proceeds.

It is rumored that the B. & M. is contemplating purchasing the St. Joseph & Grand Island, in which event they will run over the Grand Island track from Endicott to Fairbury and then either lease the Rock Island or build from Fairbury to Thompson, where they will strike their own line again. In case this is done, the track between Endicott and Thompson will be taken up.

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned desire to express their heartfelt thanks for the many acts of kindness extended to them during the illness and at the funeral of the late Henry Kirkham.

MRS. H. KIRKHAM AND SONS.

Sheriff Holloway is putting on more style than any of the county officials. His office has been nicely papered all over, and presents a very neat appearance. The sheriff, however, paid for this luxury out of his own pocket.

WEDDING BELLS.

Chas. Richey and May Dutton United In the Bonds of Matrimony.

COULDN'T WORK THE LANDLORD

Jim Woodson Goes After a Man and Gets His Vest In Lien of Twenty-five Cents—Other Local Happenings of Interest.

Richey-Dutton.

Charles A. Richey and Miss Mae Dutton were united in marriage at the Presbyterian church at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Dr. Baird officiating. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a large number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The church was tastefully decorated with lilies of the valley, roses and ferns. Promptly at the appointed hour the wedding party reached the church and marched up the aisle to the beautiful strains of the Mendelssohn wedding march, and upon arriving at the altar were united in marriage after the impressive formula of the Presbyterian church. After the ceremony the party entered carriages and were immediately taken to the B. & M. depot, where they boarded the train for their future home at Louisville. Will Hyers acted as groomsmen, and Miss May Patterson as bridesmaid. The ushers were Dave Hawksworth, Frank Richey and Ed. Dutton. The bride is the accomplished daughter of the late S. W. Dutton, and is one of Plattsmouth's most popular young ladies. She is also a graduate of the high school.

The groom is a son of ex-Mayor Richey, and is a young man of excellent character. He is at present engaged in the lumber and coal business at Louisville, this county, and the happy couple will make that place their home.

THE JOURNAL'S heartiest congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Richey.

Took His Vest For Security.

J. M. Woodson evidently profited by his recent experience with the fellow who beat him out of a board bill. Tuesday a young man registered at his hostelry as "H. J. Bomar, Omaha." He said he was a sign-painter and was working over on Vine street. He said he was at present without funds, but had considerable baggage at the depot. On the strength of this talk he secured dinner, promising to pay for it that evening, which he did not do. Mr. Woodson, accompanied by Officer Fitzpatrick, hunted the man up that night and he was forced to leave his vest with the hotel proprietor as security for the 25 cents. Bomar also "worked" the Perkins house and Goos hotel for a meal, after making the same "spiel."

A Narrow Escape.

George Poissal came very near losing a good team of horses yesterday afternoon. The team was engaged in hauling ice from the river, and one of the horses commenced crowding the other, the result being that both animals were precipitated into the water, which is about fifteen feet deep at that place. The harness was cut from the horses, and, with the assistance of another team, the animals were finally hauled out of danger. Beyond a good ducking, they suffered no injury, but it was fortunate that assistance was at hand, else Mr. Poissal would be minus a good team of horses.

In District Court.

Francis C. Faulkner, assignee, Connecticut River Savings bank of Charlestown, N. C., vs. H. W. Gilbert, et al., petition in foreclosure, was filed yesterday.

R. W. Goodwin vs. Amasa Haskins, et al., petition in foreclosure, also filed yesterday.

Albert Abel Heard From.

Sheriff Holloway received a letter this morning from St. Joe, Mo., informing him that Albert Abel, the horse-thief who escaped from the county jail here several months ago, had been arrested at that place, charged with stealing a horse and buggy.

Water Works for Havelock.

The special election at Havelock yesterday, to vote \$5,000 bonds for the construction of a system of water works, resulted in the proposition carrying by a vote of 93 to 72.

Tom Parmele came down from Louisville yesterday to attend the Richey-Dutton wedding.

PERSONAL, POLITICAL AND PERTINENT.

The long-waged war at the institute for the blind at Nebraska City has been, at least temporarily, called off by the resignation of Superintendent Johnson. Prof. W. A. Jones of Hastings was appointed to succeed Johnson. It is hinted that Gov. Holcomb requested the latter's resignation.

Mr. Sam Heller, of Raleigh, N. C., knowing that there was no limit to the weight of first-class mail packages, ordered a box of shoes, weighing 125 pounds, sent to him by mail with only a two-cent stamp affixed. There were on the box when it arrived \$40 worth of postage due stamps. There were fifty of the denomination of 50 cents, for which he says he can obtain from dealers \$1.25 each, and fifty of 30 cents, worth 75 cents each; so by this calculation he made \$60.—Atlanta Constitution.

An exchange warns housewives to be on the lookout for a swindler who comes around to repair sewing machines. He begins work and when you don't notice it he takes a piece out and substitutes a broken one. Then he will call your attention to the broken part and get your permission to repair it. He then polishes and puts back the piece he took from your machine and charges one dollar and upward for the deception he has practiced upon you. Keep your shotgun handy for such fellows.

The city council at Hastings, Neb., is having trouble with the gas company at that place and because the city council won't allow the aforesaid gas company to fitch from the citizens at the rate of \$2.25 per thousand feet for gas, the aforesaid company proposed to close down its plant on twelve hours' notice. The citizens at once subscribed money sufficient to put in a new plant and take their franchise, and now the company has concluded that it will not close down for a little while at least. This is a bluff like the water company will try on our citizens some day and they will find that it will work no better here than at Hastings.—Nebraska City News.

The Vanderbilts and other members of the New York four hundred have been divorcing and marrying around in such a manner as to make it impossible for a learned judge to tell what relation will exist between the offspring of the divorced people when they get through divorcing.

Up in Plattsmouth, M. D. Polk, of the News, is trying to learn to ride a bicycle, and the neighbors complained that he falls so hard as to disturb them, while practicing at three o'clock each morning, and the marshal has ordered him to practice off of the front streets, so as not to ruin the paving.—Nebraska City News.

Alex Schlegel, draughtsman in the land commissioner's office at Lincoln, was in the city a short time yesterday. He is the man who found a quarter section of unclaimed government land a few miles from Lincoln a couple of years ago. He has since proved up on the claim, and a few weeks ago received his patent.—Fremont Herald.

Clerk of the Court Taggart has received an order from Judge Ramsey adjourning the term of district court which was to be held in this city commencing next Monday for two weeks, or until March 2d. The illness of the judge is the cause given.—Nebraska City News.

Persons wishing letters to go through the mails in a hurry should always write "in haste" in the lower left hand corner of the envelope. Then everybody connected with the postal service jumps around lively. The stage driver whips his horses into a brisk trot, the postmaster dances a jig and the route agent pushes forward and tells the engineer to pull the throttle open and let her go.—Ex.

Mrs. W. A. Swearingen and son Tom came out from Plattsmouth Thursday for a visit with her parents. She is just recovering from a very severe sick spell.—Elmwood Leader.

During Lent there will be services Wednesday and Friday evenings of each week at the Presbyterian church. The service on Wednesday evenings will be in the shape of a short lecture by the pastor, Rev. H. B. Burgess. Every one is cordially invited to attend these services.

Farm loans made at lowest rates. T. H. Pollock, over First Nat'l Bank.