

TWO BOLD TRAMPS

They Deliberately Walk Away With a Traveling Man's Grip.

PRETENDED TO BE VERY DRUNK

When Arraigned Before Judge Archer They Acted So Ridiculous That They Were Sent Back to Jail to Sobber Up--Notes.

Nervey Thieves.

From Friday's Daily.
A good-sized bunch of tramps drifted into town this morning, and they have been causing the police no end of trouble today. Shortly before noon a couple of these fellows, who were walking along by the Hotel Riley, espied a large grip on the steps, belonging to a traveling man named C. R. Kelsey, and deliberately picked it up and made a get-away. The owner of the grip, who had stepped into the postoffice, thought it had been taken into the hotel, and did not discover the real state of affairs until some minutes later. The matter was reported to the police and the fellows were soon located on West Main street. As soon as they saw the officers both started to run, and the man who had the grip dropped it. After a hard chase they were finally overwhelmed and were eventually taken before Justice Archer, charged with larceny. They either had a good-sized jag aboard, or pretended they had, and after vainly endeavoring to get them to enter some sort of plea to the charge, they were ordered taken back to jail to sober up.

One of them, who gave his name as Johnnie McDonald, is known by Officer Fitzpatrick, having worked in the yards here about nine years ago.

A couple of "bums" who were trying to peddle some rings were ordered out of the city. When asked where they obtained the rings, one of the fellows produced a receipted bill for "one dozen gold rings, \$1.00" from a Chicago wholesale jewelry house.

Both Plead Guilty.

The two tramps who were arrested Friday, charged with petit larceny, having stolen a traveling man's grip from the steps of the Hotel Riley, were sufficiently sober next morning to be arraigned in Justice Archer's court. Both men entered a plea of guilty, and they were sentenced to ten days in the county jail, with an additional two days for costs.

Bail Admitted to Bail.

A dispatch in the morning papers from Lincoln, dated May 21, says: "The supreme court this afternoon suspended the nineteen-year sentence of Henry Bolln, the defaulting treasurer of Omaha, and admitted him to bail in the sum of \$50,000. This was on the application of Attorneys Joel W. West and J. M. McFarland, who came down from Omaha this morning and filed the necessary papers. The bond was prepared by Clerk of the Supreme Court Campbell, and the attorneys took it back with them today to secure the signatures. The application is made upon the grounds of irregularity in the proceedings of the trial court in Douglas county, and abuse of discretion by Judge Baker.

Bolln was seen at the jail yesterday afternoon. He had received a telegram from his attorneys informing him of the action of the supreme court, but said he was not at all surprised to learn that the court had taken action which would allow his release. He had felt confident all along, he said, that the application would result as indicated by his telegram. He also stated that he had no doubt about being able to give the bond of \$50,000. The sureties on the bond, he said, would be his father-in-law, Hans Beckman, and Bolln's brother in Blair. Beckman is worth about \$50,000 and Bolln is quoted by Henry as being worth the same amount. The brother is in Denver at present, in attendance at the funeral of a sister who died suddenly a few days ago, and was not expected home until Monday next. Bolln said he expected to be able to procure a bond by Tuesday of next week which would be approved. Bolln is quartered in one of the large rooms in the front part of the jail, in a room usually set apart for boys and is separated entirely from the prisoners in the main part of the jail. He takes his incarceration very philosophically and shows no ill effects from the confinement."

A. E. Barrett of Nehawka is visiting here.

THE DAY'S DOINGS

What the People In and Around Plattsmouth Are Doing.

SAD DEATH OF A YOUNG BOY.

The Thirteen-year-old Son of Joseph Shrader, of Mt. Pleasant, While Working on His Father's Farm, Instantly Killed.

Boy Killed by Accident.

George W. Shrader of Rock Bluffs precinct, brought the news to town today of a fatal accident occurring at the residence of his brother Joseph, three miles west of Mt. Pleasant, last evening, resulting in the death of his brother's son Grover, aged 13. The boy was engaged in driving a double team of horses, attached to a heavy roller, when the horses became unmanageable, struck an obstruction throwing him off in front of the roller, which passed over him, crushing his body and killing him instantly. The many friends of the family will be shocked at hearing of this terrible accident.

Decoration Day Program.

The following program has been arranged for Decoration Day, the exercises to be held at Oak Hill cemetery at 2:00 p. m. on May 30th:
Reading of General Order, by Adjutant.
Song.
Invocation, by Rev. Post.
Address, by Rev. Couffer.
Song.
The parade will form on Main street, between Fourth and Sixth, and will march to the cemetery in the following order:
Mayor and Council.
Different Organizations.
Woman's Relief Corps and G. A. R. Post.
Citizens in Carriages.
The exercises at the cemetery will consist of the reading of the W. R. C. and G. A. R. rituals, followed by the decorating of the graves of the departed veterans by the G. A. R.
H. Guy Livingston will deliver an address at the cemetery.
The Memorial Day sermon will be preached by Rev. Freund, of the German Lutheran church, at the Presbyterian church on Sunday, May 24, at 11:00 a. m. All other churches in the city are requested to suspend services on that morning and attend the union services on that morning at the Presbyterian church.
By order of the committee.
THOS. WILES, Chairman.

A Growsome Find.

Wednesday afternoon an employe of John C. Watson saw one of the dogs chewing what appeared to be a peculiarly shaped bone and on investigation it was discovered to be the under jaw of some human being. It was shown to several physicians and they readily recognized what it was.

Where the dog obtained it can not be discovered, and the affair is quite a mystery. The deceased of whom the bone was a part has been dead but a short time, as the specimen was in a fair state of preservation. The teeth were solid, the gums firm, and on the inside could distinctly be seen the muscles. As there is no dissecting room here and no physician would throw away a portion of a skeleton, the "find" has caused considerable discussion. The officers have investigated the graves at Wyuka cemetery and none of them seem to have been disturbed.—Nebraska City News.

The Horses Located.

Sheriff Holloway this morning succeeded in locating the team of horses alleged to have been stolen from Levi Kilgore by Asa Howard. Both parties are residents of the Iowa bottoms, just across the river from this city, and, according to Kilgore, Howard "borrowed" his team one night recently, and all efforts to find the animals were without avail until today, when they were discovered down near the big island, south of town, on this side of the river, where they had been hidden by Howard. The horses were restored to Kilgore, and Howard is having a preliminary examination over at Glenwood this afternoon, being charged with horse stealing.

Change in Decoration Day Program.

It has been determined by the committee of the Grand Army having the program in charge to change the location of the ceremonies of Memorial day, so that the exercises will take place at the cemetery. And, to accommodate visitors, the parade will form on Main street at 1:30 sharp, instead of 3:30 as heretofore announced.

Murray Suspended.

In Chairman Gideon's latest L. A. W. bulletin appears the following, which will be of considerable surprise of local wheelmen: "For unfair dealings in amateur races, C. A. Murray, Murray, Neb., is suspended from all track racing for one year from April 9."

F. D. Lehnhoff departed yesterday for Steinauer, Neb., where he will attend a conference of the German Lutheran church.

Advertise in THE JOURNAL.

HUNDREDS KILLED.

A Terrible Tornado Visits St. Louis, Killing Hundreds of People.

Excursion Boats Missing.

The greatest anxiety is felt for the safety of passengers on the different excursion boats which were on the river when the storm broke. The steamer City of Florence, with an excursion party, is reported lost below Carondelet. The steamer St. Paul with thirty passengers left for Alton at 4 o'clock and is believed to be wrecked. The levee is packed with people groping through the darkness and eagerly imploring information for loved ones on the river.

In addition to the river disasters noted, later reports add to the losses. All the wharf boats on both sides were swept away and sunk. The steamers Medill, City of Pittsburg, Belle of Calhoun, City of Providence were all driven to the Illinois shore and wrecked. Seven members of the vessels' crews tried to swim ashore, but were caught in the eddy at Pittsburg dyke and drowned. The river front is a mass of wreckage. From the Eads bridge south for two miles every building is damaged that is not in ruins. The damage to shipping is estimated at \$400,000.

ALL LIGHTS TURNED OFF.

The difficulty in ascertaining information from outlying districts is increased by an order from Mayor Walbridge ordering all electric light circuits turned off. This to prevent death to persons coming in contact with broken wires.

SEEKING THE WOUNDED.

Shortly after midnight the fire department secured control of the conflagration at East St. Louis and the members of the department began to assist the ambulance corps in caring for the wounded. No attention was paid to the dead. The streets were in darkness and searchlights were placed on patrol wagons in the effort to reach the location of the injured.

The Scenes of Death and Suffering in East St. Louis are Beyond the Power of Description.

Men, women and children were victims to the sudden swoop of the elements. The railroads west-bound are stalled at the entrance of the Eads bridge with no hope of proceeding farther on the next three days. Every ferry boat on the river fell a victim to wind and waves and there are not over two crafts in the river tonight that dare cross the Mississippi.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 28.—From reports received by the United Press up to 1 o'clock this morning from Missouri, Illinois and Indiana cities the extent of the terrible cyclone is shown. The storm began its work of devastation near Moberly, in Randolph county, in the northeastern part of Missouri. It then passed southeast into Adrian county, where the school house at Rush Hill and its occupants were victims. The cyclone moved slightly north into Pike county, Missouri, and then jumped the Mississippi river into Southern Illinois.

The ladies' seminary at Drake, in Greene county, Ill., was struck by the tornado, which then passed south and east, following the Illinois river until it joined the Mississippi, the greatest point of destruction being reached at St. Louis, East St. Louis and East Carondelet. The direction of the wind storm after leaving the stricken cities seems to have been in a southerly line through Illinois, but no reports of damage to Illinois towns east of the big-river have been received. The cyclone reached the Ohio river and struck Evansville, in the southwestern corner of Indiana. Later news indicates that the great storm is tearing a path through the heart of Indiana in a southeasterly direction.

The Latest Reports Compiled from the Scenes of Destruction in the Three States Point to a Loss of Over 700 Human Lives, and the Probabilities are that Later Reports will Swell the Total Death List to Enormous Proportions.

According to places the death toll is divided as follows: In St. Louis, 300; East St. Louis, 300; Drake, Ills., eighty, Rush Hill, Mo., ten; Renick, Mo., five; Labadie, Mo., ten.

The Number of Injured is Estimated to be in the Hundreds.

OBITUARY.

George Kitzel, who was killed by a stroke of lightning near Alvo, this county, on Tuesday, May 19th was born at Maxdorf, on the Rhine, Germany, on April 19, 1846. He came to this country with his widowed mother, when but seven years old, locating at Cleveland, Ohio. From there he went to St. Joe, where he remained until 1866, when he moved to his farm in Cass county, where he resided up to the time of his death. He was married in 1870 to Beina Cook, a daughter of Jos. Cook, of Plattsmouth precinct, was the father of six children, and leaves a loving wife and five children to mourn his loss, one of the children having preceded him to that better land. He and his wife were converted to the Lord under the labors of Rev. Gruener in 1874, joined the German Evangelical church, and has lived a consistent Christian life ever since and was prepared to meet his Maker. In the morning before his death he especially prayed for the protection of God for himself and family during the day, little thinking it was the last time he should have the privilege of leading in family prayer. He was known by all his friends and neighbors as an excellent Christian man, and was always found ready for duty in the Master's cause. He stated to his wife only a day or two before his death that he hoped the weather might permit of his attending the services on Pentecostal day, which occurred last Sunday. While his family and congregation missed him in the service of that day, they may be assured that he is celebrating that occasion with the church triumphant. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon, leaving the house at two o'clock. Preaching services in English were held at the Belmont U. B. church at four o'clock, by Rev. E. E. Martin, assisted by Rev. Stone, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Belmont cemetery. The funeral was the largest and one of the saddest ever held in that vicinity, as the deceased was highly respected and loved by his many, many friends, who sympathize with the family in their sad affliction. May the Lord keep the family true to the exemplary life shown them by their father, thus assuring them a grand reunion in the home to which the loving husband and father has now gone.

Death of William Crabill.

Word was received in this city last Monday by C. E. Wescott, announcing the death of William F. Crabill, at Bois D'Arc, Mo., at one o'clock Sunday afternoon. The cause of his death was paralysis, from which affliction he had been a sufferer for some time.

The deceased was well and favorably known in this city by a large circle of warm friends, having resided here for a number of years. He was kind-hearted and generous to everyone, and to know him was to be his friend. Mr. Crabill removed, with his family, excepting one daughter, to Bois D'Arc last October, and they have since resided there. The deceased leaves a wife and five children, viz: Mrs. Marvella Howland, of Plattsmouth; Charles, Ezra, John and Ethel Crabill.

Frank James, the train robber, has recently gone into a new line of business. He has taken a job to guard express trains, and guarantees that the trains he protects will never be robbed until after he is a dead man.

The Ladies of the M. E. Church at Eight Mile Grove will give a basket social at the church on the evening of Friday, June 5. Everybody invited.

Frank Gustafson, a former Plattsmouth boy, who is now living at Oakland, Neb., is visiting friends in town.

A Severe Electrical Storm.

This vicinity was visited by a very severe electrical storm this morning at about half-past seven o'clock. The rain came down in torrents, and in a short time the sewers were filled with water and debris. The sewer on Washington avenue was greatly overtaxed and the water filled the creek and overflowed the banks several feet.

The Sidewalks in that vicinity were flooded several hundred feet, and the potato patch of Con. Coffey was about two feet under water for a few minutes. Fitzgerald's livery stable was also flooded to the depth of two feet, doing considerable damage. Main street was covered with about four inches of water after the rain had ceased, caused by the overflow of the Washington avenue sewer. Had the rain continued about half an hour longer, every cellar on Main street would have been flooded, and the damage would have been considerable.

During the progress of the storm a bolt of lightning struck the house of ex-Councilman Stemiker, on Seventh and Marble streets. The bolt first hit the chimney on the east side, knocking the bricks off and coursed down to the comb of the roof, cleaning the shingles off for a space of about four feet square. The lightning then branched off down a partition, loosing the plaster in several places. The damage will amount to about \$25. None of the inmates of the house were shocked by the lightning.

Geo. Hay, the register of deeds, resides directly across the street west from Mr. Stemiker's, and one of his daughters was standing at an open window, when the bolt of lightning struck. She was considerably stunned by the flash, but soon recovered. The rest of the family were badly frightened for a time.

A Tribute to Hon. Jas. M. Higgins.

Sunday's Lincoln Journal records the death of ex-Senator J. M. Higgins, of West Lincoln, and formerly of Cass county, who died last Saturday at the home of his son, Mr. Higgins was elected to the house, and afterwards to the senate from Cass county, and served the people well and faithfully. He was a man of no great learning, but his heart was in the right place, and he enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the masses to a great degree. In the legislature, as in private life, he was honest and faithful to every duty, and the neighbors and friends who knew him best loved and esteemed him most. A patriot in time of war, and no less a patriot in time of peace he has gone to the reward of those who are true, honest and faithful in life. Peace to his ashes.

Delicate Surgery.

Yesterday Dr. Shipman removed a stone, nearly half an inch in diameter, from the right ear of Will Tucker, clerk at the Hotel Riley. The stone was firmly embedded in the auditory canal, close upon the ear drum. All former efforts at its removal were futile. Some seventeen years ago, when a mere boy, Mr. Tucker had pushed the pebble into his right ear, and since that time has been quite deaf in that ear. He is now happily rid of a dangerous encumbrance and can hear as well as anyone.

A. C. Wright Ill.

A. C. Wright, state organizer of McKinley clubs, was taken seriously ill at Elmwood Saturday night with congestion of the stomach and bowels, followed by severe cramp. For quite a period of time he was in a very critical condition but subsequently he rallied somewhat with the indications that he will recover. Mr. Wright received a sunstroke two years ago in this city and his present physician believes that his trouble dates back to that time.—Lincoln Call.

The Locusts Are Here.

Several days ago THE JOURNAL mentioned the fact that the seventeen-year locusts had made their appearance down on the big island south of town. Within the past few days these pests have been discovered in large numbers on various trees in and around this city. As yet no reports of any damage are heard and it is hoped that the insects will decide not to remain here.

A Kansas City paper received at this office contains the intelligence that Henry Wise, a son of the late Professor Wise, has been appointed city engineer of Kansas City. Mr. Wise is well known here, and has many friends who will be pleased to learn of his appointment.

Mr. David Albin of Omaha, formerly of Union, was in this city today.