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BARGAINS IN

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BEMIS' AGENCY,

15th and Douglas Street.

Over 3,000 residence lots for sale by this agency at prices ranging from $20 to $2,500 each, and located in every part of the city, and in every direction from the Postoffice, north, east, south or west, and varying in distance from one block to one or two miles from same. Call and examine our lists.

Several choice lots in Griffin & Isaacs' addition, west of convent, between St. Mary's avenue and Harney street—$600 to $800.

80 acres just east of barracks on Saunders St., this is choice land and will be sold very cheap for cash in 5, 10 or 20 acre lots; now is your time to secure a bargain.

Choice lot at end of street car tracks on Saunders street for $675.

Choice lot, Farnham and 24th streets, 90x132 sec for $1,800—will divide it.

Cheap lots in Credit Foncier addition, south of P. depot—$100 to $800.

TERRACE ADDITION.

Forty lots on Park Avenue and Georgia street, on road to park, and near head of St. Mary's avenue, at from $125 to $300 each. Seven years time at eight per cent interest to those who will put up good substantial buildings. For further particulars apply to.

G. P. BEMIS, Agent,
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A nice lot on Harney and Twenty-first streets, for $675.

Two choice lots on 20th, near St. Mary's avenue, 50x165 feet each, for $850 and $900.

Two choice lots near 23d and Clark streets, in E. V. Smith's addition—$300 and $350.

Fifty lots in Shinn's first, second and third addition, for $100 to $600 each.

Lot near 18th and Pierce, $450.

2 lots on Harney near 24th St., $600 each. 1 lot on 19th near Howard street, $740.

43 lots in Grand View addition, south of U. P. bridge and depot, from $75 to $ 60 each.

One acre, 117x370 feet, on 18th street, south of Poppleton's new residence, for $2,000, or will divide into fifty sized lots at from $350 to $500 each.

RIVERVIEW ADDITION.

Large number of beautiful residence lots, located in this new addition on Capitol Hill, between 24th street on the east, 26th on the west Dodge street on the north and Farnham street on the south, formerly owned by C. H. Downs and more recently known as the Perkins 15 acres. Only 12 lots have thus far been platted—14 on Park Avenue, 2 on Douglas street. These lots are 50 to 80 feet in width and 150 in depth. $1,000 for the choice. 5 years time, at 8 per cent interest to those who will build good substantial houses thereon. Call and examine plat and get full information at

BEMIS' REAL ESTATE AGENCY,
15th and Douglas streets.

Over 200 houses and lots are offered for sale by this office. They are scattered all over the city. Any location you desire. Prices varying from $200 to $15,000 each.

2 good lots and 2 cheap houses near Jackson and 22th streets at a great sacrifice. Here is a rare bargain for some one. The property must be sold immediately. Covers just a quarter of a block. Call and examine this without any delay.

GEO. P. BEMIS, Agent,
15th and Douglas Sts

A desirable lot near Cuming and Saunders Streets, $1,000.

PARK PLACE,

The cheapest acre lots in the city of Omaha, are those offered for sale by this agency in Park Place and Lowe's second addition, on Cuming, Burt and California streets; you can make no mistake in purchasing up these bargains while you have the chance. These lots are more than equal in size to 4 full sized city lots or a half block—and it will be but a very short time before one-fifth part of one of these acre lots will sell for as much as we offer a full acre to-day. They are located a very short distance west of Creighton College. Prices ranging from $150 to $300 per acre lot. Call immediately, and don't lose your chance, and get plat and full particulars of

GEO. P. BEMIS, Agent,
15th and Douglas Streets.

Nice lot on Sherman Avenue north of Nicholas street, $1,400.

Half lot on Cass, between 13th and 14th streets $1,000.

2 nice lots in Hartman's addition, $400 to $600.

Large number of acre lots in Gise's addition in North Omaha, $125 to $300 each.

Choice corner lot near 22nd and California streets, $1,500.

Several good lots in Nelson's addition, 150 to $350 each.

Choice lot in Thornell's addition, $750.

Several large lots in Bartlett's addition, 1½ rods and 2½ acres each. Prices $700 to $2,000 each.

Several choice lots in Reed's first addition, $275 to $350 each.

Acre lot on Sherman avenue, (16th street), south of Poppleton's new residence, for $1,100.

2 large lots near 18th and Clark streets, 60 x 330 feet. Corner, $1,200; inside, $1,000.

3 large lots on Sherman avenue, (16th street), near Clark street, $900 each

McCANDLISH PLACE.

22 nice and cheap lots, very near to the business part of the city, located a very few steps south of the Convent and St. Mary's avenue, and just south of and adjoining the ground of James M. Woolworth and W. J. Council—these are cheap and very desirable, being so handy to business part of city, to new government depot, nail works, white lead works, U. P. depot, stock yards, packing houses, etc. Call and get plat and full particulars. Price $275 to $350 and easy terms to those who build.

GEO. P. BEMIS, Agent,
15th and Douglas Sts.

3 choice residence lots on 24th street, between Douglas and Dodge streets, $1,100 to $1,200 each and long time to those who will build

2 choice corner lots near 22th and Farnham streets, 65x124 feet, $1,150 and $1,200, and very easy terms to purchasers who will improve.

Also 4 lots on 24th, between Farnham and Douglas streets, 990 to $1,000 each and long time.

$250 of the best business lots in the city of Omaha for sale, located on every business street, $200 to $6,000 each.

Also very valuable store properties in almost every business block—$5,000 to $15,000 each

LAKE'S ADDITION.

40 choice residence lots in above addition, immediately north of and adjoining Poppleton's beautiful residence and grounds, and located on 18th 19th and 20th streets, $300 to $550 each and very easy terms to those who will build. Call and examine plat and get full particulars.

GEO. P. BEMIS, Agent,
Beautiful building site on Sherman avenue, 16th street, between Poppleton and the Dudley-Ijams property; 203 feet east frontage on the avenue, by 389 feet in depth. Will divide it, making 132 feet by 389. Call and get full particulars.

An acre on 18th street, 105 feet east frontage by 378 feet deep. This is just south of the Elizabeth (Poppleton place. This is gilt-edge, call and get price and terms of BEMIS, Agent.

18 good lots, just north of and adjoining E. V. Smith's addition, and located between 20th and Saunders streets, at reasonable prices and long time to lever who improve BEMIS, Agent.

HORBACH'S ADDITION.

53 lots in Horbach's first and second addition on 16th, 18th, 19th and 20th streets, between Nicholas, Paul, Sherman and Clark streets, very handy to U. P. Shops, smelting works, etc., ranging in prices from from $200 to $1,100 each, requiring only small payment down and long time at 7 per cent interest to those who will improve.

GEO. P. BEMIS,
15th and Douglas Street.

38 nice lots in Parker's addition, between Saunders and Pierce, King and Campbell's Sts., on Blondo street; 19 lots with south fronts and 16 with north frontage, only 6 blocks north of the turn-table (and street-car track) on Saunders street. Very low prices; $175 cash, or $200 on long time and 8 per cent interest to those who will build.

150 good farms for sale in Douglas Sarpy Washington, Burt, Dodge, Saunders and Eastern tier of counties.

300,000 acres best selected lands in the state for sale by this agency. Call and get maps circulars and full particulars.

Bemis' new map of Omaha, 60c and $1.50.

Bemis' new pamphlet (and map of the State entitled "the outlook of Nebraska" for re distribution.

Geo. P. Bemis'

REAL ESTATE AGENCY.

15th & Douglas St.,

MAHA, - - - NEW

DOMESTIC DOINGS.

The Character of Mrs. Sprague Defended by Her Former Governess.

Ben Harrison Takes the Rail in the Indiana Senatorial Race.

Passengers on a Texas Stage are Robbed of $12,000.

A Mexican Chops his Companion into Mince-Meat With an Axe.

Mrs. Sprague Sustained.

Special Dispatch to The Bee

MILWAUKEE, January 4—10 p. m.—Interviews published here with Miss Augusta Betzal, daughter of Dr. Betzel, of this city, a refined and cultured lady 26 years of age, who, for two years has resided in Mrs. Kate Chase Sprague's home, "Englewood," near Washington, as governess and companion. She defends Mrs. Sprague in a most positive manner, and denounces every statement that in any way compromises her character. She says Mrs. Sprague is an entirely pure woman, gifted and entirely above reproach. She scorned the imputation of scandal, so far as it might in any way reflect upon the mistress of "Englewood." She knew that Senator Conkling was a visitor at the Sprague home, and so were countless other distinguished men, and Mr. Conkling was nothing more than a gallant gentleman and a good friend in the true sense of the term. Miss Betzel will probably be an important witness in the divorce case.

Atrocious Murder.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

SAN ANTONIO, January 4—10 p. m.—A most atrocious murder was committed in a woodchopper's camp four miles east of this city yesterday. Bruno Hilago, refusing to loan his horses to Juan Ray, who desired to go to San Rosa, Mexico, the latter felled him with an axe, and getting a gun fired two shots into him, and then beat him over the head with the butt of the gun. Then picking up the axe again he literally cut him to pieces. The sheriff and posse discovered Ray sleeping in the brush yesterday evening, and captured him.

Ben Harrison's Chances.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

INDIANAPOLIS, January 5—1 a. m.—The general sentiment of all legislators and all connected with the senatorial contest, is that it is practically settled that Gen. Harrison will without doubt be nominated on the first ballot, and that it is probable the drift will be shown so strong that the other candidate may withdraw, and his nomination made unanimous. During the day many accessions to the roll of legislators have been made, and the candidates for the various positions presented a very lively appearance.

Road Agents at Work.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., January 4—10 p. m.—Saturday night the San Antonio and Garedo stage was stopped three miles south of Medina by two masked men, who, after pillaging the mail bags, relieved the passengers of all their valuables, amounting to over $12,000. It is supposed they were covered by others in the brush, owing to their utter recklessness and confidence. The passengers were all unarmed.

Raving Maniacs.

Special Dispatch to THE BEE.

ERIE, Pa., January 5—1 a. m.—John Babo, an industrious mechanic, and his wife, have lost their reason and are raving maniacs, the result of losing their home in a real estate complication. They have spent several days and nights without sleep or nourishment, and are constantly praying for the restoration of their property and protection against their enemies, whom they imagine are endeavoring to take possession of their children. The unfortunate man has barricaded his doors and windows against his friends. A constant watch is kept over the demented couple for fear they may destroy their children to save them from imaginary enemies.

Burned to Death.

Special dispatch to The Bee.

BRADFORD, Pa., January 5—1 a. m.—Monday night the charred remains of Richard Curry were found in the oil lease of Curtiss & Juter, at Red Rock, six miles from this city. Curry had charge of the lease, and the shanty in which he was asleep caught fire from a gas jet, and he was burned alive.

Heavy Robbery.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

NEW HAVEN, Ct., January 4—10 p. m.—The police are busy investigating a robbery which is by far the most extensive they have been called to act upon in many years. Early Sunday morning the cabinet safe of the house of Elihu Sperry, on Chapel street, was robbed of $42,000 in bonds, a gold snuff-box, and $100 in gold and silver coin. Charles Hartland, a nephew of Sperry, has for a long time passed his nights in the house, and many things direct suspicion toward him. He has been arrested.

Chicken Main.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., January 5—1 a. m.—A special from Milwaukee says: The latter part of this week a number of sports will start for Louisville with one hundred chickens to put up against the same number of local birds. Nine battles will be fought for $100 a battle, and $1000 on general results. The money is already up. It will be the most important bird fight event of the season.

Too Much Gal'.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

CHICAGO, January 5—1 a. m.—A dispatch from Poplar Creek agency says Maj. Guido Inges attacked Chief Gall's band of Uncappa Indians, on New Year's day, and after an engagement of about an hour the Indians displayed the white flag, and were all taken prisoners except a few young bucks who fled to Sitting Bull's camp, or took refuge with the Yanktons. The troops had no casualities, but one Indian was killed, and two wounded. The captured band number over one hundred, including Gall and a number of squaws. They will be taken to Fort Buford. Chief Gall, it was supposed, was coming into surrender, but invigorated by food and the sight of a large body of Indians he became impudent and gave the troops two days in which to retreat. Instead of doing so reinforcements were secured, and he was compelled to capitulate.

Bad Sailors.

Special Dispatch to The Bee

HALIFAX, N. S., January 5—1 a. m.—The bark "Happy Home," of Windsor, struck on Trinity rock off Yarmouth, Monday night, and capsized. The captain's wife, daughter and one man perished. Yesterday morning a boat went out and rescued the captain, officers and crew, all of whom were frozen, the captain and mate seriously.

THE BATTLE BEGUN.

Nebraska's Law Makers Wrestling With Sworn Duty and Venal Selfishness,

Beset by Vultures, Sharks and Monopoly Cappers,

The Railroad Pool Packing the Committees.

Editorial Correspondence of THE BEE.

LINCOLN, January 4.—The political cauldron has reached the boiling point. The focal point is the Commercial hotel, where nearly all the leading aspirants for senatorial honors have their quarters. Last night the Commercial presented an indescribable scene. Every inch of room in the office, corridors, stairways and passages leading to the various apartments were jammed with surging humanity, pushing, gesticulating, and full of excitement. The all-absorbing topic was the speakership, the division of the legislative offices, and the question whether Carns was to have the appointment of the senate committees. The railroad forces were on hand with a large lobby of republican and democratic cappers. The federal brigade is on hand in full force. The entire postal service is on the ground, with Farey, Siebolt, Vandervoort and a quintette of postal clerks. Scores of postmasters, land office receivers, and other disinterested patriots are button-holing members, pulling them up and down the stairs, whispering promises of reward and promotion into their ears. The vultures and birds of prey are also here in large numbers. Frank Walters, Haulon, Thurston, and other shysters and cappers are hovering around the members.

The grand army of sharks, jobbers and middle men is on the ground in full force. Barnacle Barnes, of Cass, who sold out Thayer six years ago; the bland and smiling Bill Stout; the urbane Dan Wheeler, are all deeply moved with anxiety to assist our law makers in arriving at a proper understanding of their duty.

POOLED AGAIN.

The republican senatorial caucus was very exciting last night. The great bone of contention was the proposition to allow Carns the privilege of packing the committees. Gen. Van Wyck and Senator Daily made vigorous efforts to prevent the consummation of this villainy.

It soon became apparent that the railroads had pooled on Carns, and when a division was called on that question the vote stood thirteen for Carns to ten against him. If all the twenty-seven republican members had been present the vote would have stood 13 to 14, and if the question had been allowed to be decided in the open senate where the law provides and the people expected that it should be decided, the anti-monopolists would have carried the day. Upon inquiry as to why a number of the senators, and particularly both senators from Lancaster, voted to make Carns the arbiter of the law-making body, I find that the chief representative of the B. & M. interest, Mr. Marquette, had come to an agreement with the U. P. crew. Thus the manifest will of the people is defeated and the pledges made by the republican party in its platform is violated by putting Carns in power to clog the wheels of legislation, and prevent the enforcement of the 7th section of the 12th article of the constitution that requires the legislature to pass laws to prevent discrimination and abuses by railroads. A senator who protested against this dead give away was informed by Mr. Marquette, that Lancaster county was under such obligations to Mr. Carns during the last session that their delegation could not go back on him now, and what those obligations were the people of this state will know when they pay their tax bills. It is about the same kind of obligations that Lancaster county was under to Valentine when Mr. Marquette pooled with the U. P. for his re-nomination last summer. With the senate handicapped at the outset by this railroad pool, it is safe to predict that the people will get very little relief from the present legislature, and the republican party will find it pretty difficult to roll up its usual majority two years hence when they come to ask for a new lease of power.

RENEGADE HOWE

is making a desperate effort to put himself in as speaker; and the confusion and disorder among the opposition may give this corrupt trickster the coveted prize. If he does succeed the doom of the republican party is almost sealed for the next campaign. When an acrobat like Church Howe, who was pledged to Tilden four years ago, and elected in opposition to the republicans of his county two years ago, can now command any respectable support of republicans for the speakership, it looks as if the party is decidedly demoralized. When, in addition to this fact, it is borne in mind that this man is a notorious blackmailer and has used his place in the legislature time and again for venal ends, and furthermore, has been notoriously the capper of the Union Pacific, it is a humiliating spectacle over which every republican in Nebraska should hang his head.

E. ROSEWATER.

FOREIGN EVENTS.

Fenians are Accused of a Preconcerted Attempt to Burn Liverpool.

The British Government Prohibits Land Meetings in Ireland.

FENIAN SCARE.

Special dispatches to The Bee.

LONDON, January 4—4 p. m.—In view of the increasing Fenian excitement, the authorities having control of arms or any kind of stores which may be liable to tempt that organization, are taking especial pains to protect them from attack. A small arms factory in London has made arrangements for such protection and the buildings containing military stores are to be guarded with extra vigilance. Several mysterious fires broke out at the Liverpool docks last night and are attributed to Fenian agencies. The authorities are on the qui vive to prevent serious damage.

WILD RUMORS.

are in circulation of Fenian designs upon the armories in London in which are stored the arms of the volunteers. The Fenian scare is apparently developing throughout the country, and has already resulted in an order from the general commanding at York for the removal of the locks from the rifles in the volunteer armory in that city.

VICTORIOUS TURCOMANS.

Special Dispatch to THE BEE.

LONDON, January 4—10 p. m.—A St. Petersburg dispatch says: Intelligence from Mert indicates that the Teffe Turcomans are aiding the Akhal Tekkes against the Russians. It is reported, although unofficial, that the Russian army under Gen. Skobeloff lost 3000 men in the battle with the Turcomans on the 24th of December.

PEACEFUL OVERTURES.

Special Dispatches to The Bee.

ALEXANDRIA, January 5—1 a. m.—Two envoys from the king of Abyssinia have had an interview with the Khedive, and presented to him a letter of the king, saying that as he is assured of the khedive's good intentions, the king was animated by similar feelings, and had ordered the opening of all roads affording communication between Egypt and Abyssinia.

THE FENIAN SCARE.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

LONDON, January 5—1 a. m.—The war office has adopted precautions to guard all armories against possible incursions by Fenians, but the volunteer officials profess to consider the whole affair as a scare, with no basis on fact or common sense.

LIVERPOOL, January 5—1 a. m.—The timber in Carrier's dock, and also that in a private timber yard, was maliciously set on fire Monday night by means of patroleum, and the flames were extinguished with much difficulty. It was given out by a placard mysteriously placed on one of the posts surrounding the King George statue, that the fire at the dock was only the beginning of the harvest of destruction. Many believe that a reign of terror is about to be inaugurated by the Fenians. It has since been discovered that simultaneous fires were started Monday night at six different places in the suburbs to the windward of the city, and also that an attempt was made to fire the shipping at Victoria wharf by an Irish lad, who was arrested, but threats or promises could elicit nothing from him.

LAND MEETINGS PROHIBITED.

Special Dispatch to the Bee.

LONDON, January 5—1 a. m.—The Times yesterday morning said that the order had been issued to government officials in Ireland to prohibit all further land meetings at any cost. This order, it is supposed, will remain in force only while the state trials are in progress, and its enforcement is expected to precipitate some lively scenes.

DAVITT'S PROTEST.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

DUBLIN, January 5—1 a. m.—At the weekly meeting of the land league in this city yesterday, Mr. Davitt warned the government not to stop all of the land meetings, otherwise the people would be forced into holding illegal meetings and to committing illegal acts.

CAPE COLONY WAR.

Special dispatch to The Bee.

LONDON, January 5—1 a. m.—A dispatch from Cape Town says the Boers have crossed the Natal border in considerable force, and intend to oppose the advance of Pomeroy's column. He has reinforcements in Drackensburg, five miles from the Natal side of the frontier.

THE EASTERN WAR CLOUD.

Special dispatch to The Bee.

LONDON, January 5—1 a. m.—War rumors are thick. It is reported from Copenhagen that an outbreak between Turkey and Greece is imminent. A dispatch from Berlin asserts, however, that the king of Greece is favorable to an arbitration of the dispute over the boundary line, and opposed to war.

CABLEGRAMS.

Specia Dispatches to THE BEE.

Tennyson's new tragedy was successfully produced at the Lyceum theatre, London, last night.

The story comes from Berlin that a state siege has been proclaimed in Leipsig.

ELECTRIC BRIEFS.

Special Dispatches to The Bee.

The thermometer in Ottawa, Canada, yesterday indicated 30 degrees below zero.

The Whittaker court-martial will meet in the army building in New York city, January 20.

Gen. C. C. Augur, the new commander of the department of Texas, has arrived at San Antonio, Texas.

Governor Foster's message congratulates the state on its prosperity. It states that the funded debt of Ohio is $6,476,805,36.

A number of Italian beggars have just arrived at Castle Garden to ply their calling in the streets of New York.

Mrs. Thresa Remenscheeder, of Newark, N. J., wife of twelve husbands, has plead guilty to bigamy.

Several hundred ice harvesters struck at Quincy, Ill., yesterday for better pay, and a riot ensued. The sheriff's posse was called to the scene on the upper bay, and restored quiet.

The legislature, which will meet at Springfield, Ill., at noon to-day will be the thirty-second general assembly of Illinois. The senate will have 32 republicans, 18 democrats.

The Michigan legislature meets at Lansing to-day. Messrs. Conger, Baldwin and Bagley are the most prominent candidates for the United States senatorship, and are all present with well drilled lobbies. Conger appears to have the lead at the start. The contest so far shows no acrimony, but any quantity of stubbornness.

Gen. Miller was chosen by the republican caucus of the California legislature yesterday, for United States senator, and will be elected next Tuesday.

William Duffy, conductor on the C., B. & Q. railroad, was killed Monday night between Galesburg and Peoria. It is supposed he slipped on the ice and fell under the wheels. His face was nearly cut off, and his body horribly disfigured. He leaves a young wife.

A dozen respectable citizens of Hickman, Ky., went to the homes of two negroes accused of arson, took them from their beds, and hung them to tree until they were nearly dead, and then cut them down. The negroes have proven their innocence of the crime they were accused of, and have had their persecutors arrested.

One Drew, a ticket "scalper" of Chicago, skipped out with $1150 of his partner's money yesterday.

FLAT-FOOTED.

Councilman Stephenson Unanimously Requested to Resign.

He Says He Would Rather be Expelled Forty Times a Week.

At the regular meeting of the city council last evening there were present Messrs. Blackmore, Dailey, Dodge, Jones, Kauffman, Roddis, Thieman and President Boyd.

Mr. Boyd called Mr. Kauffman to the chair and asked to be excused for the evening as it was their annual election night and he was president of that body. Granted.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

From the mayor, transmitting the monthly report of street lamps in use, 170 for December. Filed.

From Nancy C. McKnight asking that a committee be appointed to assess the damages to her lot on 14th street, by reason of grading. Granted, and Messrs. Blackmore, Dailey and Roddis appointed as such committee

From Geo. W. Doane, in regard to payment of damages to James Nichol, from falling on unprotected embankment on Cass and 22d street, November 1st. Referred.

From Homer Stull, bill for $16 00 for reporting trial December 1st and 2d. Referred.

From A. G. H. Hazen, resigning his position as city engineer. Accepted.

From A. L. Strang, transmitting claim for $56.64 for material furnished the fire department. Claim allowed.

From J. J. Galligan, asking for a new fire alarm box at the intersection of Dodge and 20th streets; to protect the high school building. Granted.

The report of the city physician for December was filed.

From J. F. Haines, offering to attend the city's sick for $230 per annum. Referred.

The city engineer's report on Farnam street curbing and guttering was submitted and filed.

The same officer's report on washouts on Cass street, was referred.

Same on condition of Tenth street culvert, accepted and filed. He said the culvert would probably last until the completion of the sewer.

The report of the police judge for the month of November, was referred to the committee on police. Fines collected $233.80.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Thieman—that the deed of the city of Omaha to the Omaha Iron and Nail company, be taken from the table. Adopted.

By Mr. Dailey—To direct the repair of the culvert on the west side of 12th near Capital avenue. Adopted.

By Mr. Kauffman—To have the dirt taken from the 10th street sewer cleared off. Adopted.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That Mr. James Stephenson, councilman of the 6th ward, be and he is hereby requested to immediately present his resignation to this council, for reasons best known to himself and the council. Signed. C. A. Thieman, J. D. Jones, O. G. Dodge, E. Roddis, T. H. Dailey, Chas. Kauffman, Thos. Blackmore, Geo. F. Labagh.

Mr. Thieman moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Stephenson said in reply to the request that he didn't know about "the reasons best known to himself," etc.; that he claimed he had done nothing detrimental to the good name and fame of the city or himself. When he did there was one way of getting rid of Jim Stephenson, and he presumed they would act accordingly.

"I will not resign," said Mr. Stephenson. "I will be expelled forty times a year before I will do that. I have done nothing, however, to be expelled for. In an open committee meeting I presume one has a right to do and say as he pleases. My words and meaning last night were misconstrued entirely, as I may hereafter have an opportunity to prove. When I was speaking last night I did not mean to say that Mr. Boyd and Judges Lake and Cobb had received so much money. I meant that the influence of money would go a great ways, and that its effect even invaded the supreme court, and influenced indirectly the acts of Mr. Boyd. I was led to say what I did from an article on the subject which I had just read in The New York World."

"But let that go as it may, Mr. President. It is of little difference to me. My shoulders are broad and strong, and they will bear a good deal. But I will not resign. If prohibited from attending council meetings and participating in the business, it will be when I have had a trial and a regular process has been gone through. I never meant to insult the council. I have been more insulted and abused than anyone in the council, by its members. But I can say in the sight of heaven that I had no intention of insulting anyone, and if people will misconstrue things, I can't help it.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution, it was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Kaufmann, acting president, asked Mr. Stephenson to please hand in his resignation immediately.

Mr. Stephenson declined to do so, but said he would like a week's time to think over it.

Mr. Roddis moved to postpone further consideration of the subject for one week. Lost.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

On Claims—Unfavorably to claim of Truman Buck. Adopted.

On judiciary—That it would not be legal to assess a tax to pay for the Cass street grade until completion of same. Adopted.

On Judiciary—That the proposed contract with J. Sterling Morton, would not benefit the city treasury and recommending that the matter be tabled, Adopted.

On Claims—Recommending allowance of claim of E. H. & M. Mortimer for printing. Adopted.

On Claims—Recommending the allowance of the claim of Guy A. Brown, for fees in the supreme court. Adopted.

On Claims—Recommending allowance of claims of several witnesses in the district court, amounting to $16. Adopted.

On Police—On report of E. M. Stenberg police judge pro tem. Adopted.

On Public Property and Improvements—Recommending the execution of deed to C. T. Taylor for lot 2, block 362, in consideration of $450. Adopted.

ORDINANCES.

The appropriation ordinance for liabilities incurred during the month of December was passed.

Mr. Roddis moved that when the council adjourn, it adjourn until Friday evening at 7 o'clock, when they meet to consider the subject of charter amendments.

On motion the council adjourned.

THE HOWE-LING CREW.

A Short, Sharp, and Decisive Victory for the Anti's.

The Nemaha Nabob Nipped at the Very Outset.

Carns Secures the Appointing Power in the Caucus

The Contest for Offices.

Special Dispatch to THE BEE.

LINCOLN, Neb., January 4—4 p. m.—The republican senate caucus last night held a long and exciting session and agreed upon the following officers for organization: President, J. B. Dinsmore of Clay county; secretary, Sherwood Burr of Filmore; first assistant secretary, J. Pemberton of Gage; second assistant, F. E. Smith of Boone; sergeant-at-arms, C. H. Gould of Lancaster; assistant sergeant-at-arms, L. J. Ryan of Saline.

The caucus by a vote of 13 to 10 agreed to grant Carns power to appoint committees, but there is liable to be a break on that question when it comes up for ratification in the full senate.

The republican house caucus was held at 11 o'clock this morning, and after an exciting contest resulted in the defeat of Church Howe for the speakership. He received only thirty out of seventy-one votes. J. H. Shedd, of Saunders county, was nominated for speaker. Both houses adjourned to 4 p. m. after appointing committees on credentials. The principal contest in the house will be over the clerks. Any other officers will be nominated without difficulty.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The house reconvened at 4 o'clock. After going through the swearing in process, the caucus nominee, H. H. Shedd, was elected speaker, receiving seventy-four votes, the democrats all voting for Holman, of Dakota, and Holman himself voting for Shedd. The house elected the following officers: Brad. Slaughter, chief clerk; F. J. Yediker, first assistant; Frank Woods, second assistant; Miss M. E. Smith, third assistant. The house then adjourned till 9 a. m. to-morrow. The senate carried out the caucus programme to the letter. Only four senators kicked against the resolutions to give Carns the appointing of committees.

—Four of Sheriff Guy's boarders, United States prisoners, were taken down to Lincoln yesterday to be tried at the present term of the United States court. Two are charged with counterfeiting, and two with breaking into a postoffice.

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A FRIGHTFUL FIRE.

By Which a Dozen or More Persons were Burned to Death.

Terrible Scenes Around a Blazing Tenement in New York.

Men, Women and Children Perish, in one Vast Seething Cauldron.

Brave Work of the Firemen.

Special Dispatch to The Bee.

NEW YORK, January 4—4 p. m.—A terribly fatal fire occurred this morning in a tenement house on the corner of Madison and James streets, in this city. One woman, a boy and five babies, were burned and suffocated, and four more are reported dead and burned, making eleven victims in all. The vicinity of the fire is thronged by an excited crowd. As the bodies of the victims were brought out from the building there was invariably

A WAIL OF ANGUISH,

which was joined in by hundreds of people. The discoverers of the fire were tardy in sending the alarm, and the building was wrapped in flames before the engines arrived. They soon got to work, and while some were attending to the hose, others were hunting for women and children, of which the building was known to be crowded. The people on the streets had become very dense and the firemen could scarcely work.

THE EXCITEMENT AND CONFUSION

was something terrible, and the groans and shrieks of women in the crowd as the charred remains of the dead were brought out were horrible. The firemen, police and citizens all united in attempting to rescue the suffering, but their work was of little avail, for out of fourteen people taken out, seven were dead, the others were badly injured, and several will probably die, as they had inhaled the fire. Two children were among the sufferers. The firemen carried out five children who were burned to a crisp. As the men carried the lifeless burdens to the streets the women screamed and fell in hysterics and the most hardened of the crowd gushed tears as the bodies of the children were placed in the dead wagons. As nearly as can be ascertained at this time the

LIST OF CASUALTIES

is as follows:—One girl about six years partially suffocated; two boys, infants, partially suffocated and will probably die; a boy, James Cassidy, aged 13, badly burned in face and left hand and arm burned to a crisp, will probably die; a boy badly scalded about the legs and body; a boy badly burned about the face, and one arm burned to a crisp; a girl dead from suffocation; Kittie Sheridan, aged 21 years, burned about the arms, legs and face; a girl burned in the face and hands; a boy burned in the face and about the body; a woman, about 35 years old, body burned to a crisp; a child burned in the arm; a boy burned beyond recognition; a woman's body burned to a cinder and limbs burned off. An old woman, aged 60, named Mary Mulloon, jumped from a second-story window and broke her leg. On the third floor of the building a woman was seen to scream frantically for help, and as she was about to spring from the window she fell back overcome with the heat into the flames.

BRAVE FIREMEN.

As the fire spread it was a heart-rending sight to hear the screams of the children in the building unable to escape. One fireman went in, and in spite of the intense heat, brought out two little children; another fireman brought out a third child, and these little ones only slightly burned, were taken to the hospital.

After the corpses of the children were placed in an ambulance, another body was found on the second floor, that of a boy apparently about fourteen years old. The poor little fellow was terribly burned about the face and life was extinct. A few minutes later another body was carried from the burning building. It was a woman and was the mother of some of the unfortunate victims. The children in Chambers street hospital are not badly burned, but are suffering from fright.

THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE

was the explosion of a gasoline machine which two plumbers were using to thaw out frozen water pipes directly under the stairway. The plumbers made their escape and have not been seen since.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Money and Stocks.

WALL STREET, January 4.

At 1 p. m. the prices were as follows:

MONEY—At 6 per cent; exchange steady at $4 81@4 83½.

GOVERNMENTS.

U. S. 6's, '81	101½	U. S. 4's	112½
U. S. 5's	101½	Currency 6's	130
U. S. 4½'s	111½	U. S. 6's 80	103½

STOCKS

Northwestern	124½	O & M	36½
St. Paul	110½	P M	47
pfd	132	Reading	53½
B & Q	178½	I M	59½
C. C. & I. C.	93	U P	108½
Del & Lack	108½	W U	84½
D & H	99½	Wabash	43½
Erie	48	Preferred	89½
Preferred	88	C P	90
St. Joe	45½	O & W	29½
Preferred	109	Alton	150
I C	143	R I	135½
L S	128	St P. & O	45
L E & W	39½	Preferred	95½
M C	125½	N Y C	140½
M & E	11½	N J C	83½
N P pfd	66		

Chicago Live Stock Market.

CHICAGO, January 4.

Hogs—Receipts, 26,000

Cattle—Receipts 4,500 head; sales ranged from $2 75@2 85 for medium to fair cows, and shippers paid from $4 75@5 20 for choice to smooth shipping steers.

Chicago Produce Market.

CHICAGO, January 4.

Wheat—January, quiet at 96½c bid; February, 97⅞@98c; March, 98⅞c; May, $1 03⅞ asked and $1 03½ bid, closing at 97⅞@98c for February; 98⅞@99c for March; $1 03½@1 03⅞ for May.

Corn—January sold at 36⅞@36½c; February, 37½@37⅞c; May, 42@42½c; June, 41⅞@41½c; July, 42½@42⅞c, closing quiet.

Oats—January, 30⅞@30½c; February, 30⅞@31c; May, 35½@35⅞c.

Rye—January, 85c bid; February, 86½c.

Pork—Mess, February, sold at $12 50@12 52½; March, $12 65@12 67½, closing steady.

Lard—February sold at $8 55; March, $8 65, closing at $8 52½@8 55 for February; $8 62½@8 65 for March.

Short Ribs—Dull at $6 70@6 72½ for March.

Whisky—$1 11.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, January 4.

Flour—Strongly in buyers' favor; receipts 30,055; round hoop Ohio, $4 30@5 00; choice do, $5 10@6 75; superfine western, $3 25@3 85; common to good extra do, $4 25@4 75; choice do, do, $4 80@6 75; choice white wheat do, $5 00@6 00.

Butter—Quiet and unchanged; Ohio, 13@27c.

Eggs—Firm at 30@36 for fair to choice.

Wheat—Quiet; Chicago, $1 12@1 16; Milwaukee, $1 17; No. 2 red winter, $1 16⅞@1 17 for cash; $1 16⅞ for January; sales 50,000 bu.

Oats—Quiet.

Whisky—Nominal.

Pork—$13 50@14 00 for February; $14 40 asked for March.

Lard—$8 85@8 97½ for cash; $8 95 for January; $9 02½@9 05 for February; $9 12½@9 15 for March; $9 20@9 22½ for April; $9 22½@9 30 for May; $8 95 buyer for the year.

St. Louis Produce Market.

ST. LOUIS, January 4.

Flour—Easier and unchanged.

Wheat—Lower and unsettled, but firmer; No. 2 red, winter, 98⅜@98½c for cash or January; $1 01⅜@1 01⅜@1 01½ for February; $1 03⅞@1 04⅛@1 03⅞@1 04⅜ for March; $1 05½@1 05⅞@1 05⅞ for April; $1 07½ for May; No. 3 do, 96½c; No. 4 do, 90c bid.

Corn—Lower at 38⅜c for cash; 38⅛@39@38⅜c for January; 39½c for February; 39½@39⅞c for March; 40c for April; 41@44c for May.

Oats—Lower at 30⅛@30⅜c for cash; 32½c for February; 35⅞c for May.

Rye—Slow at 83c bid.

Barley—Unchanged.

Butter—Unchanged.

Eggs—Unchanged.

Whisky—Steady at $1 11.

Pork—Lower; $12 50 for cash; $12 57½ for February; $12 70 for March.

Dry Salt Meats—Lower at $4 10@6 50@6 70.

Bacon—Dull and unchanged.

Lard—Lower at $8 25.

Receipts — Flour, 4,000 bbls; wheat, 9,000 bu; corn, 19,000; oats, 11,000; rye, none; barley, 9,000.

Shipments — Flour, 7,000 bbls; wheat, 8,000 bu; corn, 11,000; oats, 2000; rye, none, barley, 1000.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, January 4.

HOGS—Firm and better; Yorkers and Baltimores,