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MINOR MENTIONS

—Romeo and Juliet to-night. —The ice men are slacking up on work. —Gun boats were in much demand yesterday. —The Quinan assault case is set for a hearing to-day. —Despite the storm yesterday the trains managed to get in on time. —A minister's sermon being organized here to start out soon on the road. —There were three sly fellows trying to wick the town yesterday on some tricks that were dark, but they met with little encouragement. —The trustees of the library association were to have met yesterday afternoon, but concluded to postpone the same until next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. —A number of teams from here were sent across the river yesterday, to be shipped from Omaha to points on the B. & M. railway to be set at work in construction. —Many points are looking to Council Bluffs for their supply of ice for next season. H. H. Lamb, an ice dealer at Fort Scott, has been here for a few days, trying to arrange for a supply. —An organ supper and pleasing entertainment was given last evening at the residence of Mrs. V. Badolet, on Oakland avenue, under the auspices of St. Paul's guild. Among other pleasing features was a two-man drill, given by a company of young ladies in costume, who executed some novel movements with the woman's wren.

—The special religious services being held at the Methodist church and the union services at the Baptist church are being more largely attended than meetings of like nature have been in the past, and the interest seems to be increasing. Rev. Mr. Fague preached in the latter church on Wednesday night, the church folks having taken advantage of his presence here on a visit to secure his assistance in the meetings, he being an able and successful worker. —George Phillips, the colored man arrested by Officer Sterling for larceny, was before Recorder Burke yesterday, and pleaded guilty to stealing a coat from C. J. Hens's livery stable, also some clothes from a laundry. He was so drunk when he ran in that he could not tell his own name, and when he got sobered and was charged with stealing the clothing he couldn't tell how he happened to have them, but thought from past experience that he must have stolen them. He will now spend one and twenty days in jail—ample time for reflection. —One signing himself "A. O." hands THE BEE a communication which gives notice to a complaint which can be given in fewer words than those used by him. He states that last Sunday he visited the jail and there found three boys, each serving a sentence of three months for violating the revenue law by selling cigars without a license. He thinks it hardly a fair deal when there are from eighty to one hundred places in this city in which divine and human law are violated daily with impunity. The stringency in enforcing the revenue law on cigars and tobacco and the laxity in letting low places of all sorts do a much worse business are in too strong contrast and the writer of the communication charges the people themselves as being the responsible ones. He for one wants to see public sentiment braced up so that justice may be more evenly dealt out, and in this want finds many sympathizers.

—The proposition of five capitalists to start a wagon and carriage factory here is still awaiting the action of the citizens. There is a proposal to put \$50,000 into this enterprise provided the citizens would secure for them the old agricultural machinery works and the three lots necessary to complete the block. To secure this would necessitate a subscription of about \$2,500. The work of securing this amount has been left to about the same committee as that which secured some time ago a subscription for a wind-mill enterprise, which fell through. It is thought that many who subscribed to this enterprise will transfer their subscriptions to this new enterprise. The citizens will, in any event, be given a chance to express themselves in dollars and cents by personal interviews with some of the committee, and it is desired by the men making the proposition that whatever is done may be done promptly. They promise to commence laying brick so soon as the subscription is completed. The following form the committee: Mayor Vaughan, T. Davis, F. H. Spetman, E. H. Odell, F. H. Orcutt, E. E. Harkness, W. F. Bushnell, J. W. Rodefer and J. M. Palm.

—THE BEE is heartily in favor of all needed public improvements and enterprises which will help the city or advance the interests of its people, and in this respect will take no second place to any, but it fails to see the need of ranking a new hotel as among the wants of this city. It has been named as among the great wants of Council Bluffs, but evident it is named only by those who desired to give a silly, malicious sting in satisfaction for a personal pique in which this citizen takes no concern. The fact is, this city needs no further hotel accommodations at present. It is to be hoped that it will outgrow the present, but that is for the future. There is now the Ogden house, a fine and commodious building, which is a credit to the city, and which ranks equal to any hotel in this part of the country. To cry out that this city needs a new hotel in view of \$1,000,000, deciding in favor of the complainant, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul company.

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THE WAGON BRIDGE.

Some Anxiety Among the Business Men to Get the Plan Well Started.

The recent action of the board of trade of this city concerning the procuring of a wagon bridge across the river seems to meet with general approval and has incited the desire among the business men here to have the plan pushed along as speedily as possible. The board of trade here appointed a committee to confer with the Omaha board of trade, or a committee appointed by that body, and since then action has been pending some action on the other side. Acting Secretary J. W. Baird has now received an official letter from Thomas Gibson, secretary of the Omaha board of trade, stating that the president, H. G. Clark, and the members of the executive committee, had been appointed to confer with the committee from this city, and suggesting that the conference be had at some date after the banquet given by the Omaha board of trade, there being no time for any such conference sooner. This Omaha committee consists of John Evans, Max Meyer, Joseph Sheeley, J. A. Wakefield, T. W. T. Richards, J. S. Brady, and John A. McShane. It is to be hoped that the conference will be held at an early date and that it will result in steps being taken which will look toward the practical starting of the plan.

ROBBERS IN REYNOLDS.

They Blow Open a Safe and Secure a Reward of \$2,000—The Coolness of the Burglars Unexcelled.

The little town of Reynolds, a few miles south of here, was all ablaze yesterday with excitement over a most successful safe blowing operation which was performed there at one o'clock in the morning. The work was done in a masterly style, and netted the thieves the handsome sum of between nineteen hundred and two thousand dollars.

Mr. McLaughlin, the postmaster at that village, is also engaged in the keeping of a store for the sale of general merchandise, his partner in the concern being Mr. Miller. The store was plentifully stocked and the safe was used as a depository for the money not in use in the business. At one o'clock yesterday morning the families of Messrs. Paugh and Noecker, who live over the store, were awakened by the sound of the explosion, and hastened out of bed to ascertain the cause. They found the store to be filled with smoke and were unable at first to discover the cause of it. But soon an investigation was made and it was discovered that the safe had been blown open. An alarm was given and within ten minutes fully twenty people were upon the ground.

A more thorough examination revealed the fact that the front door of the store had been unlocked and that the burglars, of whom there were evidently two, had made an entrance in that way. A hole had been bored in the side of the safe, near the front, and about a foot from the bottom, and a heavy charge of powder had been placed therein. The subsequent explosion had blown the safe door bodily, hinged and all, to a distance of twenty feet; and the charge had been so heavy as to entirely demolish the windows, carrying away even the sash. In the safe were \$100 in gold, several hundred in silver, and some paper money, aggregating almost \$2,000. This had all been carried away, together with a large red leather pocketbook, in which some of the money had been kept.

The burglars had made ample arrangements for escape, as it was afterwards discovered, so that no clue could be obtained as to who they were. They had stolen a horse from Ferdinand Schindler and a buggy belonging to Mr. Miller, one of the firm, and had skipped off. The money belonged partly to the firm and partly to the individual members thereof.

The robbers drove straight to Rock Island and to the stables of the Rock Island Lumber company, where they turned out one horse to make room for their stolen animal, leaving the buggy outside. A receipt belonging to McLaughlin & Miller and some gunpowder found in the buggy, prove that to be the fact.

Every means was used to discover the rascals but without avail. They had made a good haul, and will not likely be seen in these parts again. The Reynolds people are particularly anxious to catch the safe blowers.

IOWA ITEMS.

—Rod Oak was scared by a case of salt rheum.

—The propriety of illuminating Tip-ton with electricity is under discussion.

—The other day a woman in Creston was arrested and fined for promenading the streets in male attire.

—Lieutenant Governor O. H. Manning is 35 years of age. He is the youngest person who has held that position.

—Small pox is raging in Clarinda and one victim has died. The town board of health have employed Dr. Enfield as health officer and physician, at a salary of \$50 per day. He will devote his entire time to the small pox cases and suppress it.

—Judge Love has concurred in the opinion of Judge McCrary, in the case of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway company vs. the Sioux City & St. Paul railway company, involving the title to over 180,000 acres of land in northwestern Iowa, valued at about \$1,000,000, deciding in favor of the complainant, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul company.

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