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MINOR MENTIONS

The Light Guards had their dance last night. The bricklayers and plasterers meet this evening. Iowa and Wyoming Coal handled only by J. W. Rodefer, No. 26 Pearl St. The outgoing train east this afternoon is over the Chicago & Rock Island road. Two youths raised a disturbance at the masquerade Thursday evening and were promptly jailed. Justice Baird yesterday removed his office to a suite of rooms, one stairway west of his old headquarters. The confidence men who have been working near the transfer depot are still abroad in the land, and seem to defy capture.

Much fun and entertainment is promised at D. Haney's tonight by Smith's double Uncle Tom's Cabin company. The company gives a matinee also this afternoon. The Turn Verein had a largely attended and entirely enjoyable masquerade, Thursday evening. There was a variety of costumes, some being elegant, many of the grotesque and comical.

A petition of property owners has been set in circulation asking for the opening up of a street from Sixth to Eighth street, so as to connect with the street leading to the athletic grounds.

The case of Smith vs. Strong, in which the former sought to recover a board bill, and the latter put in an offset of damages for false imprisonment, was dismissed yesterday at plaintiff's costs, an amicable understanding being apparently reached.

In the circuit court the case of Brandt vs. Plumer, after having used two days in the trial was given to the jury Thursday evening. The jury remained out all night and was closeted closely until about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when failing to agree, they were discharged. It is said they stood eight to four in favor of giving damages to the plaintiff.

The lithographic portraits of the popular songsters, Fannie Kellough, appear in many of the show windows and are looked upon with special interest by many of the citizens who have known her since girlhood, and who watched her successful career with great pride. The portraits are hung with the announcement that he is to appear in Omaha with the Glee Club of that city in a concert to be given on the evening of the 24th.

At the masquerade of the Turn Verein Thursday night Theodore Lamm appeared quaintly masked, with a paper whisky hat for a coat, a beer keg for a head, and a bottle for a hat. Frank Crow of the "Blue-Jay" thought it would be fun to smash the rig, and with one blow drove the bottle through the neck keg. The smash caused several cuts in Lamm's scalp, and the blood flowed freely. To Lamm it did not seem much of a joke, and he straightway swore out a warrant for Crow's arrest for assault. The case is to come up before Justice Abbott this afternoon for a hearing.

Constable Fox was pretty badly out of repair yesterday. In trying to stop a row and arrest some disorderly parties who had been attending the masquerade the night before, he got a kick which tore his breeches and disabled his knee-cap. One fellow hit him over the head with a chair inflicting a bump, and other blows caused other bruises. With the aid of others he secured his men, though there was a lively clatter all the way between the hall and the calaboose, in which two good sized parties waged war against each other, and blows were freely exchanged by all concerned. It is expected that a number of arrests will follow as the outgrowth of the melee.

The Citizen, published at Tucson, Arizona, contains a number of items of interest to those of this city who are interested in various mining enterprises there. It states that "news from the Tyndal district continues to be of a most encouraging character, and reports progress in the construction of a railway which will do away with the isolated situation of affairs." It also states: "The Laura, Expert and Last Ad mine, owned and worked by a corporation of capitalists in Council Bluffs, are all showing up finely, and the thirty ton water jacket smelter to be erected by them is daily expected in Tucson." Regarding Arivaca it says, "The unanimous voice is that the prospects of the camp were never better."

PERSONAL

Ex-Sheriff Reed was in the city yesterday. M. Schmitt, of Oshkosh, was here yesterday, looking over the west. J. P. Shropshire, the Union Pacific attorney at Omaha, was here on legal business yesterday. W. H. Harrison, Jr., wholesale and retail stationer at Toledo, Iowa, was greeting friends here yesterday. Rev. Mr. Leuen has this week been attending a quarterly meeting of the executive committee of the Baptist association, the meeting being held at Des Moines. He returned Thursday night, and reports as a result of the meeting the granting of financial aid to several weak churches and the appointment of several missionaries.

The C. B. & O. in Iowa is assessed \$3,564,993; the B. & N. R. & N. \$1,146,258; the B. & S. W., now the C. B. & K. C., \$199,000; the B. & N. W. \$57,555; and the T. P. & W. branch of the Wabash \$2,550. The C. M. & St. P. is assessed at \$1,482,760; the I. C. at \$1,730,874; and the C. R. L. & P. at \$4,007,808. All the other lines in the state are assessed at less than \$1,000,000 each. The lowest valuation per mile is on the Iowa Eastern, fourteen miles in length, and only assessed at \$800 per mile. The largest is on the C. B. & O. and C. R. L. & P., both valued at \$12,000.

QUEER WORK.

Young Stockdale Slips Out of the Toils of the Law Very Easily.

A Case Which Will Bear a Little Investigation at Sunlight.

The readers of THE BEE will remember the narration of the capture of a young man named James F. Stockdale, at the Creston house, on Tuesday night. The young man, by means of a false key, obtained entrance to the room of Max Mohr, the proprietor, and secreted himself with a revolver under the bed, and there remained until after Mrs. Mohr and her child had retired. She discovered his presence, gave the alarm, and the fellow was captured. He admitted that he was there to "make a raise," and was lodged in the police station. The following day Mr. Mohr appeared at the police station and narrated the details of the affair, and seemed anxious to prosecute. A short time before this he had been robbed of \$80 and a watch, and he expected that this young man knew about this, as he had been boarding at the house right along. The young man denied that he had anything to do with the previous robbery, and denied that he was a member of any gang who had any helpers. He had a watch and about \$20 in his possession, and claimed that his father, who lived in Muscatine, was financially able to help him out of his difficulty. It was decided to wait a little before filing an information, and give the boy's father a chance to come here. A dollar of the young man's money was taken for telegraph purposes, and on Thursday the father arrived. Recorder Burke had the information ready to be signed, but Mr. Mohr did not appear to give his autograph. The father spent most of the day consulting with Marshal Morse, and the upshot of the whole matter was the young man was discharged for want of prosecution, and taking the train with his father hurried away to his home in Muscatine.

The effort made to keep the press from making mention of the attempted robbery, and the ease with which the matter was quietly dropped, has led to many queries as to how it happens that a young man thus caught, and making such confessions, could so quietly be turned loose. Some of those conversant with the facts have reached the conclusion that a financial settlement was made, by which the prosecution was dropped. It is said that the landlord was silenced by being paid, partly by cash and partly by note, enough to cover his loss by previous robberies, so that he did not care to appear against the young man. It is also stated that one of the boarders at the Creston house named Tiller, who had his room once robbed about \$23, wanted the amount of his loss figured into the settlement, and because of some failure to connect, that he blew the whole matter away, and was in consequence ejected from the house.

Recorder Burke on being questioned yesterday said that Mohr failed to sign the information as he had promised, and not putting in any appearance against the prisoner the young man was discharged for lack of prosecution.

Mr. Mohr, on being asked about the matter, denied all knowledge of any settlement. He said he had not seen the boy's father at all. He was informed by Marshal Morse that the father was here, and replied that if he wanted anything of him he could call at the hotel, but saw nothing of him. On being asked why he did not sign the information, he said that the boarder, Tiller, who had lost once \$23, said he would go up to the station and file an information against the young man, and he thought that would do just as well as for him to go. He depended on Tiller to do this, and at night Tiller came back, saying he had not done so, and there being no prosecution appearing the young man had been let loose. Mohr said he was so mad at Tiller for thus neglecting to do as he had promised that he kicked him out of the house.

In further conversation Mr. Mohr said that it would have done no good to prosecute the boy and send him to prison, as it would not bring him back the money which he lost, and would only serve to disgrace the boy's family. If the papers would only attend to their own business, and not interfere with his, he would like it much better.

One thing is certain, the young man slipped out easily from a serious charge so easily, in fact, that it has caused much talk and discussion among the few observant ones, who naturally wonder whether young Stockdale would have thus slipped through had he been some poor unfortunate without money and without friends.

By the Wayside.

The devilries of the night had nearly ceased and the bibulous young man, who expected to gratify his ambition by dancing till broad daylight with the feminine admiration of his paste diamond, reluctantly quit her side and steered his tangled legs into an alleyway. It was the hour when hoarse people think of the arms of Morpheus, and dishonest one's think of some other one's arms. The stars, which sang together at creation's dawning, looked down upon the young man with something of a frown upon their brilliant faces, and their happy chorus hushed into a minor strain as their gleaming rays pierced the bewildered motives of the young man lying upon an ash-heap trying to throw up. The stain of the earth was a strange contrast with Byron's snow-flake, whiter than the mountain sheet 'er left it mother cloud. The young fellow was fearfully and wonderfully a-sick. He shivered—shivered as does the

shrimpled foliage, still clinging by its fragile, frost-brittled tendrils when it is made to gloomily rustle as the polar spirits, clothed in frosty frizz, fit through the barren groves that erstwhile were clad in gladdensome green. He had left his overcoat upstairs, and was too drunk to go after it and too cold to do without it. No wonder he shivered.

Officer Sterling, star of the night gleamed in the alleyway, and the hand of the law was laid upon the young man, while a voice came from under the blue coat, "How to prevent crime! Surely not by placing blotches of personal order upon those faithful religious teachers who, when the cares of the week find a temporary tomb, administer needed sustenance to man's higher nature. Far from it. It's a good deal better to run him in."

As the young man sat upon the edge of the iron cot behind the bars he meditated, "Alas! alas! genuine culture is mocked in its own temple. Worse than he whose hand tendered a limp lily as life's most sturdy emblem, that scornful, ungrateful gives me a soupy home. A sturdy emblem, indeed! In the slow moving progress of the countless hosts of marching and sweltering humanity, what are Croesus and Cyrus but gnats upon life's wheel, to be crushed as the summer day rolls around. Sober sense is overwhelmed by the carnival of the cycles and the crush of unmolesated crime, made epidemic by the inheritance of the ages." But nature's sweet restorer, balmy sleep, bids the wearied thinker drop the puzzling thought, and fall by the wayside, until raised by the echoing reverberation of that ever dreaded, "Drunk again, eh! Well, I'll let you off this time with \$2 and costs."

THE POLITICAL POT.

It Has Commenced Simmering and a Few Names Bubble Up for Office.

The approach of a city elections begins to cause those interested in political and municipal matters to begin talking over the men and places.

It seems to be pretty well settled that Dr. N. D. Lawrence will be the republican nominee for mayor. The democrats are talking of nominating W. C. James, and there is a prospect of the present incumbent, Mayor Vaughan running as an independent.

For city attorney, Jacob Simms, the late county attorney, is favorably mentioned by the republicans, while the present attorney, G. A. Holmes, will probably secure the democratic nomination.

For police justice, among the republicans are named the present holder, F. A. Burke, George Carson, and W. S. Mayne. The democrats are talking of G. E. Stone and E. E. Aylesworth.

There are a number of persons mentioned in connection with the city marshal's office. One is J. W. Morse the present incumbent, the present chief of police, H. H. Fields, E. W. Jackson, and Jo. Spaulding.

For city engineer, L. P. Judson, the present engineer, and Thomas Tostive are named.

The present city weighmaster, H. G. Ollinger is mentioned as his own successor.

The aldermanic race will be a mixed one and there will be many entries. The names of J. J. Brown and A. C. Graham are talked favorably of by the democrats as aldermen at large. There are several now in the council who desire an endorsement by reelection, and many fresh candidates are being talked over.

The Duties of Farmers in the Master of Legislation.

Every great industry of this nation keeps at the seats of state and national legislation, representatives, or lobbyists, independent of the legal representatives elected by the people, to look after the interests of their respective industries, to secure such enactments that will advance their interests, and to prevent, if possible, the enactment of such laws that will work injury to them. We said every great industry of the nation, but we do not make a notable exception; the agricultural interest, an industry in which more than one half of the population of the United States are engaged; an industry second in importance to none in this country, and yet they keep no army at the seat of government, of the lawmaking power, to enforce due and adequate legal protection.

The banker, the railroad, the manufacturing interest all watch with care their interest, as well as the cities and towns, to secure national or state appropriation for public buildings, and thereby securing a greater measure of prosperity for their city or town.

If the farmers by some concert of action, define such laws that are necessary to the interest and prosperity of their industry, and secure independent representatives, to remain at the seats of government during the sessions of the legislative bodies, whose duty it will be to urge the enactment of laws that will advance the interest they represent, the agricultural interest. All this costs money; so does it cost other industries who are so represented, but they make money by doing so, yet sometimes very large sums are spent to carry through to success schemes for the advancement of the interests in which they are made.

We know of a city, not a thousand miles from here, that offered a lobbyist of national reputation a thousand dollars to compass about the national legislation to secure a certain result, which it was known if accomplished would work to the interest of the city in question, but the lobbyist hooked at them for offering only one thousand dollars. He said to the city, or the men interested, "Give me ten thousand dollars, with the privilege to draw for more when the ten thousand was gone." The money was raised, and the job successfully carried through. If each farmer would allow himself to be taxed to create a fund to pay the expense of such representatives, to

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