

COUNCIL BLUFFS AND IOWA NEWS.

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MINOR MENTIONS.

-Cora Bell, for trying too long at the cup, now languishes in jail for three days. -Towa Wyoming coal handled only by W. Rodefer, No. 26 Pearl St. -The Land League ball at Dobany's last night drew a crowd and was a big success. -Webb's minstrels appeared at Dunlap last night and are moving on to Marshalltown. -Last evening St. Albans lodge of Knights of Pythias gave their annual ball, which was well attended and proved a happy occurrence to all participants. -The committees of the boards of trade of Council Bluffs and Omaha meet tomorrow afternoon in this city to take further steps in the matter of a wagon bridge across the river. -Any one wanting grease tanks and boilers will do well to address A. S. Creary, boiler maker, or call on same at Hopkins machine shop, Council Bluffs, boiler repairing a specialty. -Last evening the Daughters of Rebekah were entertained socially by Mrs. John Bohm, Mrs. James Spare, Mrs. Barbara Anderson, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Epeneter, at the last named lady's house. -A laborer named Barrett, with no hat, coat, vest, or money, was yesterday fined the usual \$5 for being drunk. He has entered into a contract to work on the stone pile at \$1.50 until he is even with the city. -The colored Methodists have arranged for a festival next Thursday evening to raise funds for the completion of the purchase of a lot on which to build a church. They have already \$150 saved up for that purpose and want more. -George Tindall, of Nevada, came here yesterday and met his affianced, Miss Lydia Cunningham, of Lincoln, Neb. They, together, called upon Justice Abbott, who quickly tied the knot which made them one, and they started off joyfully for her home in Lincoln. -A. C. Dowdy has been complained of for keeping a disorderly house and selling liquor without a license. He appeared before Recorder Burke yesterday afternoon, pleaded not guilty, and was allowed to go on his own recognizance until this afternoon at 2 o'clock, when he promises to bring up twenty or thirty witnesses to prove "it was no such a thing." -City Engineer Judson is having heavy drafts made upon his time in giving grades to those contemplating building. There are a good many who are filling up lots and making other improvements, and from every quarter come indications that the coming season is to be one of the liveliest in building ever known in the history of the city. -Citizens begin to show some anxiety as to when the work of building waterworks is to begin. Some predict that the company will never put the works in and others think they are waiting to sell their bonds to get money to work with. The company's contract with the city is certainly fast enough to warrant them in going ahead. -One aged pilgrim, engaged in home trading, complained to the police yesterday that he had been robbed of \$110 some time during the night, while he was asleep at his boarding house. Inquiry showed that the morning before he complained to some of his fellow boarders that he had been robbed of over \$300. As he had been on quite a spree, there was tangible for the police to commence working on. -The city has no place of its own in which to confine female prisoners. Such have to be sent to the county jail and their board there charged up to the city. On the other hand, in state cases, the male prisoners, whom it belongs to the county to board, are arrested and lodged in the calaboose at the city's expense until they have a hearing. Accommodations should be provided where the city can take care of its females as well as its males. -Ed. F. McCarthy was brought before United States Commissioner Key to answer to the charge of selling liquor and cigars without Uncle Sam's needed permit. McCarthy claimed the saloon did not belong to him but to Mr. Nicholson of minstrel fame. The latter appeared and testified that he bought the saloon in June, and had the necessary license. This left it apparent that during the month of May McCarthy ran the place without a license, and he was held on the charge in the sum of \$400. -In the circuit court yesterday the jury in the case of Kaiser vs. the Kansas City & Council Bluffs railway, after being out all night returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$150 damages for the horse killed by the cars. The case of the same plaintiff against the same defendant for damages on account of a cow killed on the road, was given to the jury about noon, and they spent all afternoon in hunting for a verdict. The next case taken up was that of Fritz against the same company for injuries caused to a bull by being hit by a passing train. -George Phillips, a dusky gentleman, broke into the City restaurant, near Dobany's opera house, on Wednesday night, and stole some bed spreads and sheets for which he managed to find a purchaser. Yesterday Constable Rosenkrans started out with a warrant after him, and after a lively chase succeeded in nabbing the thief just as he was about taking the dummys across the river. Phillips was led before Justice Abbott and pleaded guilty to larceny but denied breaking in. He was sent to the jail for thirty days. The place will seem quite homelike to him, as he was only released from there two days ago, having been serving a term for a like offense. -The committee of the council appointed to investigate the charges against Chief of Police Fields, met yesterday

morning at the city building. Mr. Fields appeared before the committee as did also Mr. Max Mahn, and both stated about the same facts as have already been made public as coming from them. Word was sent to Col. Keatley, but he did not appear and there being no other witnesses on hand adjournment was taken until this morning, at which time it is hoped that other witnesses will appear and tell what they know. It seems a little odd that the defense should be heard first, but such seems to be the case. Ordinarily the prosecution takes the first clatter, but in this case there seems to be a reverse of the usual order. The committee has no power to compel the attendance of witnesses, and hence no great revelations are expected. The resolution calling for the investigation provided only for an inquiry into Chief Fields' action, so that the committee are supposed to limit their search to that official's record. The smoke has not settled so much around Fields as around Marshal Morse, and the latter ought to be included. The investigation being informal and limited will probably not prove very satisfactory to either those who prefer the changes or to those who deny them.

PERSONAL.

R. L. Marsh, of the Omaha opera house, dined at the Ogden yesterday. J. S. Woods, of Ottumwa, auditor of claims on the C., B. & Q. road, was in the city yesterday. E. F. Stockert, the furniture man, now rejoices as those only can to whom has come the gift of a bright, bouncing baby. William Rutledge, a sturdy yeoman of Harrison county, near Moulmain, was in the city yesterday, having made a large sale of broom corn to Mayne & Co.'s broom factory. Mayor R. D. Clarke, U. S. army, is in the city, expecting to remain some weeks, and probably spend the summer here. He is accompanied by his family, and has headquarters at the Ogden. James B. Smith, of Chicago, was in the city yesterday looking after the prospect of securing a street paving contract here. While in the city he met some of his old comrades of the Thirty-sixth Massachusetts, of which he was the lieutenant-colonel. They could see that he looked no older than when he was amidst the flying bullets a score of years ago.

BULLETS AND BEER.

A Ruffianly Row in a Broadway Saloon.

One Fellow Shot Through the Leg and Several Receive Cuts and Bruises.

A wild row occurred at Neil Anderson's saloon and boarding house on Broadway between Seventh and Eighth streets, Wednesday night. A party of Danes, numbering eight or ten, most of whom were boarders at the house, were sitting drinking beer and having a jolly good time, when another party of six or eight fellows entered, apparently bent on mischief. After taking a round of beer, they commenced chaffing the others and stirring up a broil. One seeing war threatened in the air, started to go out of the door, but was promptly knocked down, which was the signal for a free-for-all fight. Beer glasses flew, knuckles were used, and a badly mixed and rather bloody scuffle ensued. The raiding party fired several shots, and after being forced out of the saloon fired several shots through the windows. One of Anderson's boarders, named John Norman, was shot in the leg, the bullet making a flesh wound only. Others in the saloon escaped being shot by using the stove, ice-box and counter as barricades. At the close of the war the place had a hard appearance. Chairs, tables, glasses and windows presented a deplorable and smashed appearance. There were more or less wounds inflicted by brass knuckles and flying beer glasses, and most of the contestants had black eyes, scratched faces, bleeding noses, and generally bloody and damaged appearance. Several of those belonging at the saloon were arrested. Lars Housen, Peter Peterson and V. Allgraff spent the rest of the night at the station, and were released in the morning with Mr. Anderson as surety for their appearance this morning, by which time it is expected that others concerned in the row will be captured and presented to the court. There were yesterday arrested as participants in the affair, Charles Graves, George Gerspacher, Ed. Bates, Louis Basher and Ed. Phillips, each of which was held in \$25 bonds for their appearance to-day. They are supposed to be of a party which went to the saloon to clean the Danes out, and they stand charged with having done the shooting. They all pleaded not guilty and asserted their lank-like innocence, saying that it was the Danes who opened the fight, and that the Danes did all the shooting. Thomas Jefferis, Jr., while walking along the street just before this row, was assaulted suddenly by one of the party of fellows, who dealt him a heavy blow on the side of the head, but the stiff brim of his hat weakened its force somewhat. He waited for no explanation, but gathered up his hat and sought a more congenial part of the city. He is certain that his assailants were the crowd who went to clean out the Danish saloon. Some complaint has been made because the policeman arrested only the Danes and locked them up, leaving the crowd who did the firing have a run until the next day. It is claimed that the officers could have readily secured all concerned in the affair, and if it was fair to lock one up, it was fair to lock all up.

TIMBER GROWING.

Thoughts Given by One Who Has Been Figuring Over the Matter.

Mr. Duncan stepped into THE BEE office the other morning and placed upon the editorial desk some samples of black walnut grown in this county, and which he deemed good texts for preaching some practical sermons on timber growing. The specimens showed that the growth of fifteen years produced a tree about eight inches in diameter, and the donor suggested that if a grove of growing walnut was left as an inheritance to a young man it would in the course of twenty years prove a mine of wealth exceeding the ordinary run of gold and silver mines. Not only would individual wealth accrue from such a source, as anyone can readily figure out, but if tree planting was entered into generally it would have a climatic influence which would permit of the culture of fruits and berries, for which the present climate and winds prove too severe. When Mr. Duncan first came into this country he thought of starting a cottonwood grove, but did not do so and now looks upon it as one of the lost opportunities, lost to him at age is creeping on; but still open to younger men if they will improve it. By a little figuring the profits seem immense. By planting cottonwood trees eight feet apart on forty acres, one would have 12,800 trees. At the end of the fifteen years every other tree could be cut out. It is estimated that the 6,400 trees thus cut would produce 19,200 cords of wood, and at the net profit of \$2 a cord would make a nice little sum, besides leaving 6,400 more trees, which if left until the end of another period would yield four cords to a tree, giving a profit of about \$50,000. Such are some of the figures which are presented with the little bit of wood to show what can be done by tree culture if people will only work and wait. The importance of tree culture is pressing itself more and more upon the minds of those who look far into the future, but it rests lightly on the average American as the spirit of the times is not only to make as much profit as possible but to make it as soon as possible.

A SINGULAR CASE.

The Body of the Young Man Found to be Perfect After Two Years' Burial.

Leona Time Table. Most of our readers were acquainted with Frank M. Johnson, and will remember the disease of which he died, that of consumption, at Corning, two years ago the 15th day of March next. He was buried in the cemetery at Brooks which is a high, dry piece of ground in the edge of the timber, the soil being a little sandy. On Thursday of last week the friends and neighbors of his people went to Brooks and disinterred the body with a view of moving it to the Grove Center cemetery. Arriving at the cemetery they decided to open the coffin, and on removing the lid of the outer box the coffin was found just as perfect in finish as when placed there two years ago. The lid was then removed from the coffin, and with the exception of a light mould over the clothing, it was, as was also the corpse, as natural as when first interred, being in a perfect state of preservation. His mother was there, and laid her hand on his face. When he was placed in the coffin a bible was placed in his right hand, and he was still clasping it as when first it was laid there. The body was not petrifed, but to all appearances remains unchanged. From a conversation with some of the friends and the undertaker who had the corpse in charge at interment, we learn there was no embalming used except to wash his face with spirits of camphor. The coffin which, as above stated, was in perfect preservation, was made of poplar wood, made in the usual manner with O. G. top and enclosed in a common pine box. Although the case is remarkable, not because of the lapse of time, but that there were no signs of approaching decay.

A NEW ENTERPRISE.

Arrangements Made for Developing the Macedonia Stone Quarry.

Articles of incorporation have been drawn up and sent to Des Moines for filing, by which the Macedonia Stone Mining company is organized with a capital stock of \$35,000. The incorporators are Alex G. Miles, Henry H. Barry, George Loucks and Francis M. Miles. The stock is already taken, and it is the intention of the company to develop the quarry so as to supply a large quantity of excellent building stone for the use of this city and surrounding country. The quarry is one well known throughout this part of the state, being located between Macedonia and Carson in Macedonia township in this county. For a long time more or less of the surface rock has been used, and even that has done good service as building stone, some of it having been used in the present Methodist church, where it has stood the test of fifteen years or more. The lower strata are said to be far beyond this surface stone in quality and durability, and it is proposed to develop this. A yard for finishing is to be established in this city, and it is expected that the long felt want of building stone will be amply met. There is no question but that an abundant supply of good building stone would prove a great benefit to this city and its surroundings, and such stone would be in great demand. The only question is whether the developing of this quarry will meet such a demand. That the incorporators think it will is evidenced by the fact that they purpose putting money and the necessary machinery at work at once. There are now two openings in the quarry for 60 to 120 feet. A shaft has lately been sunk about 10 to 12 feet and to a depth of thirty feet, and other developments made, including a bore made for 200 feet, which penetrated the ledge nearly 200 feet, the rock assuming the character of the best Joliet stone so much used in Chicago buildings. There are blocks now exposed to view, which are from twelve to twenty feet without a break, and in quality it is pronounced superior to Des Moines or Missouri stone. It is claimed that the supply and quality will both prove so satisfactory as to render the quarry a wonderful addition to the industries of this city and county.

IOWA ITEMS.

The bonded indebtedness of Iowa City, drawing 10 per cent, has been refunded at 6 per cent. Seventeen hundred valentines were distributed through the Sioux City postoffice on the 14th. A farmer named Peters, living near Creston, lost his horses, wagon, farm implements, etc., by fire on Saturday night, between nine and ten o'clock. Merchants of Omaha handling furnished goods will do well to look through the spring stock now open of Shrove, Jarvis & Co., Millard's new block, Barney street. Iowa has 227 coal mines in operation, which produced during the census year 1,461,116 tons of coal, valued at \$2,507,453, while 5,024 men were employed in said mines, whose wages aggregated \$1,555,697. The citizens' party of Creston has nominated H. W. Way for mayor and placed him upon a platform of very sound timber of local growth. They propose to reform the municipal government in the right way. The Advertiser refuses to be comforted. The capital board of commissioners report that it will cost \$650,000 to complete the building. The question is being agitated by the legislature whether it will not be well to levy a special tax for the purpose of completing the building this season or next. It is shown by the commissioners that it will not cost any more to complete it in one or two years than will in five years. There is one strictly virtuous newspaper in Iowa. The Davenport Gazette, referring to the recent prize fight, says: "With the belief that such a brutal show cannot be otherwise than demoralizing, the Gazette condensed the half-column account sent by the Associated Press into the space of a few lines. If there are any among our readers who are debased enough to wish to read a minute account of such a contest, we suppose that their desires can be gratified, but not through the columns of this paper as long as it remains a journal for the family and the home. This is particularly refreshing coming from a newspaper whose columns are flooded with obscene advertisements of quack doctors, patent medicines, and 'marriage guides.'"

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