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MINOR MENTIONS.

-Iowa Wyoming coal handled only by W. Rodefer, No. 26 Pearl St. -The outgoing train eastward to-day is over the Chicago & Northwestern

-The Bluff City masquerade on Monday evening is among the coming events not to be forgotten.

-The Chicago & Northweste: n company has paid into Treasurer Bennett's office

\$6,500 of taxes. . - The question of a wagon bridge across the river is to be talked over this afternoon at the board of trade rooms.

-A Sioux City saloonist, for relling liquor to Indians, was placed in jail here Thursday night to wait for trial.

to be raffled off this evening and Mayor Vaughan will address the crowd. -A pleasant party was given Thursday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jeffen's, in honor of the daughter from Den-

-The democratic primaries are called for this evening, and the convention set for next Tuesday afternoon at the court

-Mr. Ribble, the father of Mrs. A. T. Rice, died Thursday evening, and his remains were taken to Wisconsin yesterday

-The Land League ball given Thursday evening was largely attended, and seemed to be enjoyed heartily by those who participated.

-The sidewalks and streets were covered with sleet yesterday, making travel by foot or team slippery and uncertain. There were many tumbles, and folks would laugh at the unfortunates very heartily.

-Those who were mixed up in the row at Anderson's saloon appeared before Recorder Burke yesterday and gave bonds for their appearance on Monday next, when an attempt will be made to unravel the mysteries of the fray.

-The grand encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic is to be held in Des Moines on the 23d inst. E. J. Abbott and J. J. Bolin are the duly elected delegates from this city and expect to attend. One or two others expect to accompany

-In the circuit court yesterday the case of Kurtz vs. the Kansas City & Council Bluffs railway was still on trial. In the suffering caused by floods, nearly as second case of Kaiser against the same much as Council Bluffs. He termed road the jury brought in a verdict in favor of the defendant, the other suit being in favor of the plaintiff. This makes honors

-The chronic thief, Crowell, was pictured out in a new role at Vaughan's meeting Thursday evening. The mayor pathetically pictured a man running down Broadway with a sack of flour in his arms, as an instance of what poor men would do when not given work and hungering for food. The man was Crowell, the confirmed sneak thief. It was too ridiculous to have him pictured as a starying workingman, otherwise it might be considered an insult to class him withhonest people who earn their living.

-Justice Abbott yesterday issued warrants for the arrest of Charles Graves. George Gerspacher, J. Walton, Ed. Bates and Ed. Phillips, charging them with assault with intent to kill, they being the same parties engaged in the rumpus at Anderson's saloon, in which a Swede was shot in the leg and others injured. The accused were brought in and gave bail in the sum of \$200 each to appear on the 25th inst. Charges of disorderly conduct are lodged against them also, and these cases ome up before Recorder Smith on Mon-

-The case against A. C. Dowdy for selling liquor without a license has been continued until Monday next before Recorder Burke. Dowdy applied for a license, and the council ordered the recorder to give him one, but before Dowdy could get around to hand in the necessary money and take the license, some of the neighbors who did not want a saloon there, got an injunction restraining the recorder from giving him the document. He has kept on selling, and the question is raised whether the council has not really given permit to do so, thus barring the city from prosecuting him for selling.

-Vaughan and his henchmen have cunningly sought to make the political issue 'improvement or no improvement." Those who are not for him are against improvement. This attempt to make the people believe that he is the only one in favor of improvements is a strained one. The great majority of the people here are in favor of improvement, judicially made and energetically pushed, and among this great majority, it is barely possible that some other man can be found who will serve as mayor. The attempt to thus raise a false issue, and ride into power on the top wave of the popular desire for improvements, is altogether too plain a ruse, and thoughtful voters will not be caught by such chaff.

-The committee appointed Thursday night at the Vaughan meeting, to make up a city ticket after the meeting and inating Vaughan, adjourned until yesterday morning to complete the nominations. They concluded not to do it, and took another adjournment until Monday morning. This way of making nominations will not meet with favor among many. The committee virtually appointed themselves, and they propose to hold a convention all to themselves. The charge that workingmen do not read the papers is about on a par with the insinuaation that they are not intelligent enough to hold primaries or conventions and nomiate their own candidates. Thoughtful workingmen will hardly rel'sh this kind

VAUGHAN'S VAGARIES.

Some of the "Bug-Dust" Thrown by Him in the Eyes of the Workingmen.

A Cheeky Way of Securing a Nomination For Mayor.

The Mayor Makes Some Good Points With Much Taffy and Many Misstatements.

The call for a meeting at the court house, to be addressed by Mayor Vaughan, drew together a large crowd Thursday night, some going because they were pets and admirers of "little Vaughny," as he delights to be termed, and many going from curiosity. Mr. M. G. Griffin was chosen as chairman, -The wonderful clock at Turner hall is and accepted in a neat little speech. There was more difficulty in securing a secretary. Phil Armor was named but declined, as did also O. P. Wickham. At last Luke James was chosen and accepted. The call of the meeting was read, it purporting to be from the workingmen, who desired Mayor Vaughan to explain to them why the election came in March instead of in April, and what officers were to be elected, etc., etc. The mayor was called for and appeared laden with

documents and books. He opened by an onslaught on those who thought this meeting was one of "Vaughny's schemes." He proposed to give them facts which the workingmen were entitled to know about, and which the newspapers did not give, and in fact many of those criticising the meeting were ignorant about. He denied that there was any political clap-trap about the meeting, and was not going to force himself on the city as its mayor. He did not seek the honors, nor did he shirk them, but he was not going to turn his back upon the city now that it was on the

He had gathered up facts from other cities, showing that this city was being run very economically in comparison. He cited Atchison, Kansas, as a city of seven or eight thousand people, whose bonded indebted-ness was \$2,000,000, its officers salaries nearly \$5,000, and its expendi-tures \$48,702, a very little less than this city expended. He spoke of Marshalltown as a small place, the police costing \$3,000 annually and the streets \$25,902. From Sioux City he quoted the item of \$718 paid for relief in the city as one of 4,000 or 5,000 in-habitants, and the expenditures on streets had been over \$24,000. Davenport was also cited as a little town, in which the assessed valuation was 5,984,000. Omaha was stated as as- by the council consisting of Aldersessed \$5,800,000, and having twelve policemen. St. Joseph's total expenditures were stated at \$87,400. Kansas City's bonded dept was reported as \$1,343,000. Burlington's popula-tion was cited at from 20,000 to 22,-

000 people and its liabilities \$521,000 In comparison with these was placed this city, its salaries amounting to \$2,627, and its total expense of \$55,-000, or a little more than Sioux City

and Marshalltown. This showing might have been of some value if the facts had only been given as they really exist, but the speaker who had so much to say against the newspapers for not stating the facts as they exist clearly misled his hearers. In the first place he understated the amount of expenditures in this city as is known by all. He placed them at about \$55,000. The record shows that there have been \$67,000 worth of bills allowed up to February 1st-ten months' bills, and should have stated the facts.

In regard to Marshalltown he stated that the police cost there \$3,000 and that \$25,902 was expended on the streets. The reports show that for about ten months, the police cost only \$1,752, and that the streets and slleys cost only \$11,253. Such is a fair sample of the way "information" is given the workingmen by the mayor in response to the request.

The statements regarding Sioux City were about as far out of the way. The speaker, who so kindly complied with the workingmen's request for information, told them that it was a city of from 4,000 to 5,000 people, and that it expended on its streets over \$24,000. He made these statements as being the substance of facts ments as being the substance of facts given him by the mayor of that city. Mayor Smith, of that city, has sent to The Bre a copy of the statement made by him to Mayer Vaughan, in which he says that "the sum total of all our expenses from the 1st of April to the 1st of February is \$15,186," and that the population of that city is between 10,000 and 11,000. In this same statement of which the mayor pretended to base his statements in talking to the workingman, it appears that this \$15.186 includes expenditures for an artesian well and for relieving flood sufferers, so that "the actual amount expended for current expenses and improvements for the ten months was \$13,968." Place be side this the speaker's statement that over \$24,000 was expended on streets alone, and it becomes evident how accurate was the "information" which he pretended to give, and which he claimed the papers could not or would

The speaker threw into his remarks some valuable information concerning the election, as to what officers were to be elected, the time of opening and closing the polls, and the matter con-tained in the official proclamation, al-

ready published.

There is no doubt about there being some truth in what the speaker said urging some action to lessen that to the man's cause of complaint. In and giving the "information desired,"

trast with the tax-payers who kick. The mayor threw into his talk much of what he termed "bug dust," and which he said the press would pay more attention to than the real facts which oe gave. He announced himself a candidate for mayor, said he had \$25,000 worth of property, showed his tax receipts, footing up \$450, told about putting in his own time and that of a horse in the city's service, and that he bought his own hard coal, etc. He had been told to

he cited this man as in strange con-

Such items were thrown in parenthetically in connection with the graver and more important subjects. His earnest words about pushing forward improvements and making the city one in fact as well as in name, when sifted out from the small feed with which they were mixed, would receive endorsement from wide-awake, enterprising citizens, who want to see the city grow, but the impression was 500,000 whitefish eggs, which were evidently sought to be made that Vaughan as mayor was the only means of getting such growth and improve-

At the close of the speech a committee, consisting of David Jerman, H. G. Crall, C. Rape, Charles Sears and F. Dalton, was appointed to make up a ticket for the city election. They met after the adjournment of the meeting and nominated Vaughan for

A FARCE.

That is What the Investigation Against the Police Amounts to.

men Spetman, Keller and Raine, to investigate the charges made against Fields, concluded by their labora yesterday. The day previous the chief and Max Mahn appeared before them, and told the same as they have already told concerning the arrest and release young Stockdale, who was found con-cealed in Mahn's bedroom, intent on robbery. They have both denied time and again the charge that Stockdale's father paid a money consideration more than sufficient to cover Mahn's previous losses by robbery and this was the reason why no information was filed. The witnesser were in fact both for the defense, and no witnesses appeared for the prose cucion to support the charges.
Col. Keatley, who had publicly

made and reiterated the charges, and coupled other grave charges against the police was with them notified to appear, but failed to do so. Yesterday not for a full year, as in the cases of the cities cited. In professing to give information to the workingmen he dorsed upon the back of the same a a subpoena was issued by the commitreply in substance that as soon as the committee was empowered to subpeens witnesses and compel their attendance, he would comply and not before. A subpæna was also issued for Mr. Gellner, who has been named as a witness who knew about the Stockdale matter. He failed to appear, and the committee could do nothing but close their proceedings, and exonerate the chief from the charges, City Attorney Holmes being empowered to draw up the report

to the council. The investigation is a decidedly un satisfactory one, as it has not brought accuser and accused face to face. The committee could do no more than request those who made the charges to back them up and as they stood upon a quibble and refused to appear there remained only to hear the voluntary denial of the accused, and read the only verdict possible - one of exonera-

force of the charges has been broken by the fact those who pretend to know damaging facts decline to appear and face the committee. In this respect the chief has gained a point, but the work of the committee has thrown no new light upon the matter and shown up no new facts.

FISH CULTURE.

Progress of This Great Undertaking

in Iowa. Des Moines Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune. State Fish Commissioner Shaw has been in the city for several days looking after the interests of the fish hatching house of the state and to ashatching house of the state and to certain the temper of legislators to-certain the temper of legislators to-ward the system. He is a decided another than the system of the control of the system of the system of the system of the system of the state and the system of the state and the system of the system of the state and the system of the system o prodigious worker. Very few men would have accomplished so much as he has with the limited means at his He urged that the improvements of the city should be kept up, and that an enthusiastic, liberal policy should be kept on the boom. He gave some hard thumps to those who objected to

being taxed, and claimed that some of ing a scheme to supply Ottumwa with FACTS WORTH KNOWING. the richest men in the city were being suckers at the expense of the state. taxed much less in proportion than the workingmen. In this connection the workingmen. In this connection overcame the carpings of the ignorant, and the system was inman, who had paid \$400 for a home, augurated with a mere pittance and it was assessed at \$375, and cited granted to get it started, under him time and again as an example of the supposition that it would die out the men who really pay the taxes, as a nine days' wonder, or a mere while the rich men were kicking. chimera of no practical utility. Mr. Shaw, under most adverse circum-stances, went on and started a hatchupon the under-taxation of the rich ing house at Anamosa on a small and the over-taxation of the poor, but stream supplied from springs of pure his example was an unfortunate one | water. His success has been remark-

for him to select. The man whom he able, and in the meantime the people thus held up as an example has already begun kicking against his assessment, and with much apparent justice. Mayor Vaughan himself stocked with fish. Lakes have been spoke in a recent council meeting, supplied with valuable kinds not be fore known. Each fall since 1876 he man's taxes, and calling attention to has gathered from the sloughs along the Mississippi, which were drying addressing the workingmen, however, | up, immense quantities of black and striped bass, wall-eyed pike, crappies, sunfish, catfish, eel, and other kinds and transported them to interior waters of the state. Over 5.000,000 fish have been thus distributed, and it one in ten of them should reach the weight of 21 pounds each it would give a weight of 625 tons. Fish from this planting are now being caught in abundance where none were known before, which proves they have become established. To this has also been added the breeging of fish at the hatching-house, where California salmon, brook trout, shad, white stop and think before going ahead with improvements. He did not want to stop and think. He said iffe was too short. He had done a great lowa were found several streams most deal to advertise the city, had got the excursion party of zailway men to pass resolutions advertising the city as a big railway center, had prepared a big puff of the city for the United States census, had caused a denial of the small pox scare to be published in 35,000 papers of the country, etc., put in Spirit Lake Last fall they were caught in large numbers by fishermen with hook and line, showing that this valuable game fish has

> The last legislature made provision for an additional hatching house at Spirit Lake, where those kinds of fish adapted to large lakes could be propagated, thus avoiding the danger and risk of transportion. January 15, 1881, there was received at this house hatched with a total loss of less than 3,000. The same winter was hatched there 200,000 Lake Superior trout eggs. These were all put into Spirit Lake and Okiboji Lake, two large lakes in Dickinson county, connected by a narrow isthmus. During the last year the commis

done well.

sioner has given much attention to the German carp. He considers it the coming food fish in Iowa, which will supplant all others, and that in the not far distant future more attention will be given to its cultivation than is now given to the domestic fowl; for, said he, it bears the same relation to deemed the best, and it is this variety which has been selected for lowa-They are voracious eaters, hardy and prolific, while they are considered equal to any fish for food known except trout. They feed on cooked po-tatoes, cabbage, lettuce, parsley, weeds, waste meat, garbage from the kitchen, malt, and nearly all kinds of cooked grain. They are in season for eating from October to April. They will endure the heat in water which most other fish could not, while in ex treme cold weather in winter they go to deep water and burrow into the mud, head down, until only their tails can be seen, packing themselves close to-gether in groups of a dozen. A carp pond should have muddy bottom, well supplied with plants, eight feet deep in the deepest portion, and shallow at the shore. If for breeding purposes, it should be so arranged so it can be drained. No other fish should be per mitted therein, as the carp is exceed ingly timid, and a very small fish— even a minnow two inches long would worry a five-pound carp to death. The presence of aquatic plants in a carp pond is necessary, as the fish feed largely on the parasites which attach to the plants, and also attach their eggs to these plants. Being vegeta-rians and teeding on food not sought by carniverous fish, they will grow and thrive in ponds and streams where other fish abound, while their prolific breeding habits will furnish immense additional food for bass and other carniverous fish.

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