

The Daily Bee.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Wednesday Morning, Jan. 3.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES: By Carrier, 10 cents per week. By Mail, \$10.00 per year.

Office: No. 7 Pearl Street, Near Broadway.

MINOR MENTIONS.

J. Mueller's Palace Music Hall.

Old papers for sale at THE BEE office at 25 cents per hundred.

A bay team and red sleigh was stolen last Saturday night from Harlan.

Dishes, glassware, lamps, etc., at 303 Broadway. Howe & Son.

Subscribe for newspapers and periodicals at H. E. Seaman's book store.

Albermarl Shugart merits a medal for the valiant way he belted the boys with the hose at yesterday morning's fire.

FOUND—A check or draft. Inquire at H. Seaman's book store, prove property, and pay for this advertisement.

Furniture of all kinds repaired by Howe & Son, 303 Broadway.

In the district court yesterday the trial of Owen for obtaining money under false pretenses was still in progress.

G. R. Beard is about to remove his stock into one of the Pearl street stores of the new McMahon block.

Justice Abbott yesterday tied the matrimonial knot between Isaac H. Tomlinson and Mary N. Pullen, of Oakland.

There are still a few copies of THE BEE's New Year's carriers' addresses, which any desiring can obtain by applying at the office.

Justice Schurz will have office room with Justice Bond for the present until he can get possession of the rooms now occupied by the telephone exchange.

Permits to wed were yesterday given to Fred J. Hunter, of Missouri Valley, and Marie Wickes, of this city; Edgar H. Barrett, of Red Oak, and Harriet J. King, of Weston.

The Driving Park association met yesterday, and after the stockholders had organized by electing L. C. Baldwin chairman and Mayor Lyman secretary, adjourned until next Tuesday to elect officers.

Deputy Clerk of the Court H. P. Warren has just received from his son, "Fitz," some fine venison, and is generously giving some of his friends some choice cuts.

William Kroeger was yesterday sent to jail for thirty days for stealing an overcoat from Charles Younkerman. Kroeger stands six feet eight inches in his stocking feet.

Marion Stevens, of the hook and ladder truck, was thrown from the top of a ladder at yesterday morning's fire, and, strangely, no bones were broken, though he was severely shaken up.

The county board met yesterday and organized by electing Mr. Clayton chairman. The bonds of the newly elected county and township officers were approved, and the rest of the time was devoted to considering roads.

There was a large gathering, mostly of young people last evening at the residence of J. J. Palmer. The evening was spent very enjoyably in friendly and social intercourse, and the hospitality of the home was beautiful, so that all the guests were made merry indeed.

The Baptist church folks are arranging for an entertainment at Dohany's, on Tuesday evening, January 16. A short programme of tableaux, music and literary exercises, is to be followed by a supper and a sale of fancy articles from bazaars.

Ladies' and children's wool hoods at Harkness, Orcutt & Co.

To strengthen and build up the system, a trial will convince you that Brown's Iron Bitters is the best medicine made.

FOOD FOR FLAMES.

An incendiary seems to have furnished the meal—Arrest of the Suspected Man.

Shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday morning an alarm of fire was turned in by Officer Edgar caused by the discovery of flames proceeding from a two story frame building on Broadway between Seventh and Eighth streets. The fire department responded promptly and considering the fearful coldness of the night did as good work as was ever done in the city. Both engines were bothered by freezing, the Bluff company's particularly. The flames made a bad origin, and which was owned by Charles Baughn, who had no insurance. It was occupied by Mrs. Wittigshlager, and the loss is about \$1,800, as a saloon and restaurant, and is up-stairs by Mr. Rade Hardin, who is employed at the Coy house, and who lost all his goods and family apparel. The adjoining building was occupied by Mr. Johnson as a saloon, and was somewhat damaged by fire, but more by smoke and water.

On the discovery of the fire there was a strong smell of coal oil, which, with other circumstances, gave rise to the suspicion that it was the work of an incendiary. There were evidences pointing to John Wittigshlager, the former husband of the woman who was occupying the building, as the guilty man. The woman claimed that they had trouble and were divorced, and that a day or two ago he threatened to kill her. She had therefore sworn out a warrant for his arrest, before Justice Abbott, and when he was arrested yesterday on this charge of threatening her life, it was discovered that he had coal oil on his clothes, and that his hands were smeared also. Chief Field after looking over his condition, filed another information against him for incendiarism, and he will be held until the facts can be more closely examined into.

Holiday goods at Harkness, Orcutt & Co.

When you feel out of sorts, have the blues, melancholy, etc., it must be indignation that ails you. Brown's Iron Bitters cures it.

CHEERY CHARITY.

The Work of Relief Organized in Permanent Form—The Generous Offer of Miss Jennie Dickson.

The work of relieving the poor and distressed, which has been so successfully managed by Rev. Mr. Lemen, and so generously supported by the citizens of all classes and ranks, is assuming a permanent form. Mr. Lemen finds that he cannot in justice to his pastoral and pulpit duties devote so much time to the details of the work, especially in view of the magnitude it has reached, and therefore Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wicks have been secured for this special purpose, they being experienced and earnest workers. Mr. Wicks will be in attendance at the rooms at the Baptist church from 7 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock at night, and he will devote his entire time to personal canvassing and distributions of constitutions, the arrangement being so complete that perishable articles can be placed where they are needed on the same day of their being sent in.

Several needling work have already been supplied with positions, and one girl of twelve years has been given a home, a good family, having adopted her. Two other families, one in Kearney, Neb., the other in Holden, Mo., have expressed a willingness to adopt others. It is desired that all wanting to hire or be hired, will apply to the rooms, and no charge is made for information given in regard to persons and places.

The reading room is open day and evening to the public, and is supplied with the daily papers, the illustrated weeklies, the leading reviews and magazines.

New families needing assistance are being constantly added to the list, and hence there is need of further contributions. It is not the policy to encourage begging or pauperism, but to keep those who are really worthy, and in such a manner as to make them self-supporting as speedily as possible.

The latest plan for raising further funds has originated by a very generous offer on the part of Miss Jennie Dickson, who has heard of the work being done here. She has considerable reputations as a lecturer and eloquent orator, and she has offered to deliver a lecture here without charge, the proceeds to go to the relief fund. On learning this Mr. Dohany very generously consented to the use of his hall without money and without price, and the boys' band are to do into their services in furnishing music. Thus the entire proceeds will go to the fund itself. The lecture is to be given next Friday night, and, as citizens who have heard Miss Dickson speak very highly to her praise, there is no doubt but that the public will have a rare entertainment, while at the same time contributing in support of a worthy enterprise. The tickets are to be fifty cents, and at this price the hall should be packed.

The Nonpareil and The Free Press have lately admitted to their columns some very mean slanders against Rev. Mr. Lemen, who has been prominent in the relief work, insinuating that he is working from personal and selfish motives. Among those who know that gentlemen and what he has done such insinuations will fall harmless, and it is to be hoped that the good sense of others will cause them to so look upon facts as to cause no abatement in the good work. While none who know Mr. Lemen will believe that any base motives are actuating him, yet even if he was working from selfish or ambitious motives the poor have certainly received much benefit, and it is the poor for whom the public heart has been moved. No one can be prominent in any charitable or reformatory work without being subjected to such insinuations from those who judge others by their own selfish motives. Mr. Lemen has weak spots no doubt, all men have, but whatever he may be thought of him the work he has done in this direction has been a grand one.

The ladies of the Episcopal church are requested to meet at the residence of Mrs. Dr. McCrene at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Harkness, Orcutt & Co. have still a few fine silk doimans. Call and see them.

Save your money by buying horse blankets and lap robes at C. J. Beckman's, 335 Broadway.

THE CITY'S FINANCES.

The following is the regular monthly report of Auditor Barke, showing the city's expenditures:

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Council Bluffs:

GENTLEMEN:—I hereby submit the following report of city warrants issued during the month of December, 1882, as well as the amount issued by order of the present council up to January 1, 1883:

Table with 2 columns: For December, Total. General fund, \$3,456 30, \$40,845 94. Police fund, 567 85, 9,114 61.

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PERSONAL.

C. H. Brewer left yesterday for Colorado again.

A. Lipman, of Maryville, Mo., one of the stirring business men of that place, was in the city yesterday.

P. M. Fryer, one of S. T. Walker & Co.'s most faithful employees, left with his family yesterday afternoon for a visit to their old home in Janesville, Wis.

Perrey & Moore have got their retail store half-closed and revamped. Their case of holiday pipes and cigar holders is a big attraction and the best pieces will soon be gone. 23-8.

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AMERT ARRESTED.

He Tells His Side of His Assault on Sims.

Yesterday morning Officers Cleugh and Cusick arrested at his residence W. S. Amert for assault upon his former partner, Jacob Sims. He at once gave bail in the sum of \$300, and the case was adjourned until the 9th inst.

The following statement has been prepared as showing his side of the case, and as will be seen is contradicted in many important respects by Mr. Sims, upon whom the assault was made. Mr. Sims was yesterday in a comfortable condition, and will probably be all right in a few days.

It is true there has been ill feeling between these parties since the dissolution of their partnership, and it culminated yesterday in a personal encounter; but the statement made in the article referred to, in regard to what transpired and the cause of it, is absolutely false. Yesterday morning Mr. Amert received through the mail from Jacob Sims a communication saying that the settlement had of their business matter was not satisfactory to him, and that he would not stand by the settlement, and demanded of Mr. Amert the sum of about \$144, and that the same be paid immediately, and charged in the letter that Mr. Amert had been guilty of having criminal relations with a certain party—not giving any name—and that unless Mr. Amert paid him the sum demanded immediately, he (Sims) had determined to use this charge to insist on a settlement. After reading the letter, Mr. Amert went to Sims' office, and there only a matter that he had heard, and personally knew nothing of such a thing. Mr. Amert repeated his request that Mr. Sims should retract the charge, saying to Sims that such a charge as that was intended to cast a cloud on the good name of himself and family, and he (Amert) would not endure such a base, false and malicious charge to remain against him. Still Sims refused to retract, and after considerable talk and repeated requests were made with the same number of refusals, and word after word passed between them, until Mr. Amert, thinking of the utter and awful falsehood and malicious charge made against him by one who knew the good name of himself and family, became exasperated, when the fracas began, and Sims got the worst of it. It lasted but a minute or two, both parties standing on their feet the entire time. After the scuffle was over, Amert requested again of Sims that he retract the charge, when Sims immediately retracted it, and gave Amert a knife, opened it, and held it in his hand, open, during the entire scuffle. Amert had nothing in his hand, and used nothing but his hands, and struck with nothing but his fists. He did not have his hands in his pocket before or after striking Sims. He did not lock the door, nor have anything to do with the door. Mr. Amert went to Sims' office with no other intention than having Sims retract the false charge. Since the fuss Sims has admitted that he received his information concerning the charge he had made against Mr. Amert from conversations he had with a common prostitute at the town. The facts are, Mr. Sims undertook to extort from Mr. Amert money by a low, malicious and villainous piece of blackmail, connected between himself and a low, miserable prostitute. Mr. Amert went home after the fuss, and remained there during the evening and night, without the least intention of being otherwise, because he knew his actions were justifiable. The bus was ordered for his sister, who was going, and did go, east on the C. R. I. and P. road.

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