

The Daily Bee.

OMAHA.

Thursday Morning, Jan. 11.

Weather Report.

(The following observations are taken at the same moment of time at all the stations named.)

WAR DEPARTMENT, U. S. SIGNAL SERVICE, OMAHA, JAN. 10, 1882, (1:45 P. M.)

Table with columns: Location, Barometer, Thermometer, Direction of Wind, Force of Wind, State of Sky, and Weather.

silver from at Omaha, frozen at Yankton; Minkets from at St. Paul, frozen at Du Bois, frozen at La Crosse, frozen at Davenport, 6 feet 9 inches at St. Louis.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Counterfeit silver coin is plenty and being successfully used. Remember the Union meeting at the Y. M. C. A. rooms tonight. The eastern trains were late again yesterday on some of the Iowa roads.

father Hannon at St. Leo's church. After the marriage ceremony the happy couple, with a host of friends, assembled at the home of the bride's mother in Willow Springs, where a sumptuous feast awaited them. After the congratulations and many hours of amusement the friends departed, wishing the happy couple a pleasant journey through life and many a merry Christmas and happy New Year.

The statement of the county finances published in Tuesday's Bee has attracted no little attention and is favorably commented on by all. The statement that such a report had not been published for nine or ten years was meant to read "no elaborate report." During the administration of Mr. A. C. Althous, who was County Treasurer from 1872 to 1876, through the instrumentality of his efficient deputy, Mr. Buck, the present City Treasurer, a synopsis of the report was published every year.

The German ladies of this city have determined to raise funds for the erection of a handsome and commodious building for a German school, for which there is a demand, and their first step in this direction will be a grand fair, to be held at Masonic hall for one week, beginning January 22. All the leading singing societies will participate, and the Musical Union orchestra will be in attendance. Dancing will also be one of the prominent features. An entertaining programme will be arranged for each evening. The price of season tickets has been fixed at \$1.

A YEAR'S WORK.

What the Board of Trade is Doing.

An Interesting Report From Secretary Gibson.

The annual report of the secretary of the Omaha board of trade, Mr. Thomas Gibson, is an elaborate and carefully prepared document, reviewing all that has been done by that body during the past year. A synopsis of the report is given now, its length and the crowded state of our columns alone precluding publication in full. The secretary says:

A VALUABLE INSTITUTION. Omaha, in its board of trade, possesses an institution of usefulness and merit, and a very valuable assistant to commercial and manufacturing enterprises. Composed of 120 of the leading merchants, capitalists and manufacturers of the city, it acts as a medium for advancing the interests of the city by practically taking in hand all matters wherein the future expectation is leading to public good. In all enterprises, whether of a purely commercial character or in the nature of improvement, this board has taken a prominent position, and to it the city is indebted for much of its development during the past six years. It has uniformly battled strenuously to guard every interest located here, and also applied its united efforts to gain every contemplated improvement calculated to enhance the future greatness of this, the gate city of the great north-west.

OUR FIRST PRESIDENT. speaking of the board said: "It conforms to the one cardinal element of success in every enterprise—a single aim to be pursued with undeviating tenacity, energy and patience—determined by every honorable appliance within its reach, and with the best energy and devotion of each and all its members to advance and extend the commercial supremacy and importance of Omaha and the state, until they shall each take the rank to which they are entitled by reason of natural advantages and resources."

WHAT A MOTTO BE DONE. With such a motto for the exercise of the talents of every member of this board, how much might be expected to be accomplished with a membership of 120 influential citizens in any emergency where the interests of our financial or commercial interests are concerned? It is not plain that with such an array of influences as could be concentrated in this association, any and every improvement calculated to advance the permanence of our establishments, and any new enterprise looked upon with favor by this board would have no difficulty in being secured a place in our midst?

A PERTINENT QUESTION. In the fulfillment of these much desired objects it is only necessary for each member of this association to ask himself the question passed in the above motto, with regard to each and all its members. If this individual energy and devotion was fully accorded we would have these acts full at every meeting, and suggestions presented for discussion that would create an interest redounding to the honor and glory of this board, and the power that it would then wield would be doubly felt.

WORK PERFORMED. The improvement of our river front has been one of the important works taken in hand, and much discussion as to the ways and means for the protection of property on the bottom lands so valuable to the best interests of our city, both directly and indirectly, has been had by this board, and efforts made for its accomplishment. A memorial, with maps, plans and reports from the city engineer—also the Union Pacific and Burlington & Missouri railroad engineers—has been forwarded to congress by your secretary, and is now in process of passage for an appropriation to complete the work.

STOCK YARDS. A company was formed and yards erected on the U. P. railroad, contiguous to the city, with pens, water and every required convenience for the enterprise, but for some reason never became as extensively used as was at first anticipated for the purpose of through shipping.

A NEW RAILROAD. Constructed through the country lying between the Ekhoron valley and the Chicago and St. Paul road, would empty a vast grain field and stock yard into the Omaha emporium for such merchandise, thereby proving beneficial to the grower and consumer, and the board has the matter under advisement.

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THE AFTERNOON IN THE HOUSE. After proceeding with some unimportant business in the house, a resolution was introduced by Jensen, of Butler, discharging the House members appointed yesterday by the speaker on the special railroad committee. The speaker decided the motion out of order. Roberts appealed from the decision of the chair, but the chair was sustained. Several members explained their votes, saying that while they did not approve of the committee as appointed they thought that it was not in the power of the house to discharge the committee, as the whole thing had been referred to the senate. Roberts then moved to

request the senate to return the resolution to the house. This was defeated by a vote of 41 to 55. IN THE SENATE. There was introduced in the senate a memorial to congress asking that railroad lands in this state be taxed, a bill to abolish the office of district attorney and create that of county attorney. A bill to give inmates of insane asylums the right to send and receive letters, sending to the penitentiary any official who interferes or tampers with such letters. A bill to make the man who receives unreason interest liable for three times the amount. E. B. Blair was elected assistant postmaster.

Senator Brown, of Douglas, introduced a bill providing that any railroad shall have power to cross, join or unite its track with any other road already built. And also that all trains shall stop for freight and passengers at all railroad crossings, and suitable passenger stations shall be constructed at all such points. The bill provides penalties for violation of the law.

Senator Canfield offered an amendment to the militia bill, giving \$150 per annum to each military company for rent of armory; and officers and men shall receive the same pay and rations as members of the regular army, when on duty. The adjutant general shall receive \$500 per annum. Report of committee on rules was adopted with an amendment directing that any bill referred to a regular or special committee shall be returned to the senate within four days unless special permission is given for longer time.

PROHIBITING ISSUE OF PASSES. A bill introduced by Senator Reynolds prohibits any railroad company from issuing passes, and also prohibiting any public officer from accepting and using passes, under penalty of \$500 fine, forfeiture of office, and imprisonment until fine and costs are paid. The house committee on finance was requested to introduce the general appropriation bill not later than January 20th. W. E.

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