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COUNCIL BLUFFS RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

The following are the time arrival and departure trains from the local depots. The trains start from the Union Pacific depot about ten minutes earlier than before stated, and arrive at the depot about ten minutes later.

Table with columns for destination (Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, etc.), arrival time, and departure time.

A Skin of Beauty is a Joy Forever.

DR. T. FELIX GOURAUD'S Oriental Cream or Magical Beautifier.

The Oriental Cream Purifies as well as Beautifies the Skin, Removes Tan, Freckles, Moth, patches, and every blemish.

It has stood the test of 30 years and is so harmless as to be used on the face of the most delicate.

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The Sac City streets are being paved with gravel.

Tipton's lager beer club numbers 100 members.

De Witt is proud of a well-kept public park. Dulange's water works cost \$185,000.

Dulange is now free from smallpox. Wood Falls is to have a race course.

Wood Falls has a new newspaper.

How The Melon Crop is to Be Handled.

A peculiar and striking feature of the freight traffic from southeastern territory to Chicago, St. Louis and the northwest last summer was the matter in which the melon crop was handled.

Melons ripen in Florida and Georgia long before the same species of fruit tempt the average theologian in Ohio and New York.

And the last few years the melon culture has so grown that special arrangements have to be made for handling the crop.

The Louisville & Nashville carried the crop of 1882 in such a way that it is now referred to in railway circles as "the route which handled the melon business so successfully last season, and it has now laid itself out to handle the crop of 1883 in a style that will distance all competitors.

It is decidedly interesting to see how the business has been worked. Mr. J. A. Sams, general southern agent at Atlanta, gets up a list of all the melon growers and shippers in Georgia, Florida and South Carolina. He says: "This list is carefully prepared, and follows the statement with the names and addresses of over 750 melon men. Mr. John S. Knox, general agent at St. Louis, gets up another list, "carefully prepared," of nearly 600 dealers in melons in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri and Minnesota. St. Louis figures for seven dealers, while Chicago has thirty-seven.

These lists are printed and diligently

IOWA ITEMS.

Pottawattamie county has more Sabbath schools, a larger attendance, and a greater percentage of the population in the schools than any other county in the state, namely 250 schools and 17,200 persons enrolled, being \$2.22 per cent of the population. On this report the county decided not to go on.

Arrangements are being made for a reunion of all the Iowa regiments who were at Shiloh. As the old "regimental" brigades will meet at Des Moines, September 26, it is suggested that the Shiloh brigade meet at the same time and place.

The supreme court holds that where one man bargains with another for land, and pays a trifling sum to hold the bargain he cannot recover damages if the wife of the seller refuses to join in the deed.

Mr. Hallock is making a complete census of the Winnebago Indians for the purpose of distributing the \$100,000 annuities due them when they are enrolled and become actual settlers on land.

The Iowa Association of Catholics and the Interior, which will hold their semi-annual conference in Muscatine, commencing June 28 and continuing through Sunday, July 1.

The sum of \$100 has been subscribed in Duquoin for a relief fund for the widows and families of Brady, Corley and Fagan, the men who were executed as conspirators in the Thonix park murder.

Eighteen business men of Ottumwa petition the city council to refuse a license from \$500 to \$300. There have been no \$500 licenses taken out. The request was refused.

The Crawford county poor fund is low, and parties who hold warrants against that fund have been informed that they will "have to wait for their money until the county sells its hogs."

Wm. Garrett, of Burlington, is now serving his thirty-first year as grand secretary of the grand lodge of Iowa Odd Fellows. He is the oldest grand secretary of the order.

The Iowa clemency on the line of the Illinois Central railroad, west of Dubuque, had from eight to ten cars of butter weekly, which is shipped to eastern markets.

J. H. Mewhelter was on trial for procuring an abortion, when it was discovered that the lady in question had a species of cancer, and that she let him go.

Telephone poles at Keokuk are bothered by injections brought by property owners, who object to the placing of the poles in front of their business places.

The Dubuque Times says that a descendant of one of the presidents of the United States is receiving poor relief from the taxpayers of Dubuque county.

The spiritulists have bought a camp meeting site near Clinton for \$200, and the state camping meeting will convene there on August 6.

A careful examination of an orchard containing 2,000 apple trees, near Newton, shows that about two-fifths were destroyed.

The court house at Mt. Airy is to have a steam heating apparatus and a town clock, the cost of both not to exceed \$5,000.

On October 9 Emmet county voters will decide whether \$12,000 bonds shall be issued for the building of a new court house.

In boring for coal at Lehi, near Fort Dodge, an artisan well was struck. The water is said to be highly magnetic.

Dubuque has adjusted the gas schedule and fixed the rate at \$2.25 per year per post and \$5 to private connections.

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THE NEW BARREL.

The strange Gunningling Presented in Life at San Francisco.

Here are airs of Marseille and Pekin. The shops along the streets are like the costumes of different nations. The passers by vary in features like the sides of a magic lantern. For we are here in that city of gold which adventures congregated out of all the winds of heaven; we are in a land that till the other day was ruled and peopled by the countrymen of Cores, and the sea that leaves San Francisco is the ocean of the east and the sides of summer.

There goes a Mexican unshakable; there the blue-clad Chinaman with his white slippers, in the soft-spoken, brown, Kanaka, or perhaps a waif from far away Malaya. You hear French, German, Italian, Spanish, and English indifferently. You taste the food of all nations in the various restaurants; passing from a French pie-aux-herbes, where every one is French, to a roasting German ordinary where every one is German; ending, perhaps, in a cool and silent Chinese tea-house. For every man, for every race and nation, that city is a foreign city, humming with foreign tongues and customs, and yet each and all have made themselves at home. The Germans have a German theater and innumerable beer gardens. The French fall of the battle is celebrated with squibs and banners, and marching patriots, as nobly as the American Fourth of July. The Italians have their dear domestic quarter, with Italian caricatures in the taverns, Chianti and colicanti in the taverns. The Chinese are settled as in China. The goods they offer for sale are as foreign as the lettering on the sign-board of the shop; dried fish from the China seas; pale cakes and sweetmeats like the like, perhaps, once eaten by Badrumbadur; nuts of indolent shape; ambiguous, outlandish vegetables, misshapen, lean, or bulbous—telling of a country where the trees are not as our trees, and the very back garden is a cabinet of curiosities. The joss house hard by, heavy with incense, packed with quaint carvings and the paraphernalia of a foreign religion. All these you behold, crowded together in the narrow arteries of the city, cool, aimless, a little molly, with the unfamiliar faces at your elbow, and the high musical sing-song of that alien language in your ears. Yet the houses are of Occidental build; the lines of a hundred telegraph spars, thick as a ship's rigging, overhead, a foreign-looking building, perhaps, or perhaps two, one European, one Chinese, in shape and color; mercantile Jack, the Italian fisher, the Dutch merchant, the Mexican vaquero go bustling by; at the sunny end of the street a thoroughfare roars with European traffic; and meanwhile high and clear-cut breaks, perhaps, the San Francisco fire alarm, and people pause to count the strokes, and in the stations of the double line you see you know that the electric bells are ringing, the traps opening and clapping to, and the engine, muffled and harnessed, being whisked into the street, before the sound of the alarm has ceased to vibrate on your ear.

True Economy. A day or two since a Detroit woman called at police headquarters and gave notice that her son, a young man of seventeen, had suddenly disappeared, and she had reason to think he had been drowned.

"Where do you think he was drowned?" asked the clerk.

"Well, I think it was off the foot of St. Aubin Avenue."

"We will send an officer to investigate and, perhaps, drag the river," she said, but she continued to hang around the office till the clerk finally asked if she wanted anything further.

"How much will it cost to find if my son was drowned and to drag for the body?"

"It won't cost you anything, madam."

"But how much will it cost the city?"

"Oh, I suppose the time might be estimated at 85."

"I was thinking, sir—I was thinking if it would not be cheaper for the city to give me that amount in cash and not take any steps at all, for I shouldn't a bit wonder if Henry ran away to Toledo and is all right! Three dollars is quite a sum to a poor widow like me. Indeed, I'll take 82 and sign a receipt in full!"

Henry's body hasn't been dragged for yet.

A hunter who lives at Bear Run. Hurt his arm by the kick of a gun; The hunt it did spoil, But St. Jacobs Oil Cured him before swelling began.

Value of Alfalfa.

Prof. Sheldon writes, in regard to the value of alfalfa for Kansas: We have no hesitation in saying that, all things considered, it is a most valuable clover, especially for the western and southwestern sections of the state, along the Arkansas river, where irrigation is practiced, it has proved a most valuable forage crop.

It is well adapted to the soil and to the climate of the north of the parallel 40 degrees north latitude, we should expect it certainly to fail. Nevertheless, a large proportion of those who try to grow alfalfa will fail, in the first attempt. Let us emphasize two or three of the matters about which most of these failures cluster. Alfalfa must have old, rich, and well-drained land to begin with, and the freer this is from weeds the better. More accounts come to us of failure with alfalfa than with any other clover or grass that we have had experience with. Inquiry into the cause of these failures has satisfied us that the character of the subsoil has much, perhaps most, to do with success or failure with alfalfa. A soil overly tenacious, impervious, and shallow should be avoided in the cultivation of the plant. Prepare the ground thoroughly, by plowing and harrowing. Sow not less than twenty pounds of seeds per acre, and sow this about the month of April; harrow in lightly, following with a roller, if possible. Do not be discouraged if the plants make a feeble growth during the first season, as they always do. Do not pasture or mow until this first critical season. The mower should occasionally be run over the ground high enough to miss the alfalfa and all the weeds within its reach. Alfalfa is perennial, perhaps eternal; at all events, it will outlive the "oldest inhabitant," if it gets good treatment. The dangers which threaten it most are the common mole and pocket-gopher, especially the latter, which, by burrowing among and cutting the roots, has destroyed several acres of valuable alfalfa meadow upon the college farm. Severe mowing by cattle and swine during the summer and fall seasons should be avoided. Alfalfa makes good pasturing for next stock, and the best "hog pastures." It cuts the most hay—we have cut three, and even four, large crops from the same ground in one season.

Remember This.

If you are sick Hop Bitters will surely aid Nature in making you well when all else fails.

If you are constive and dyspeptic, or are suffering from any of the numerous diseases of the stomach or bowels, it is your own fault if you remain ill, for Hop Bitters are a sovereign remedy in all such complaints.

If you are attacked with any form of Kidney disease, stop tempting Death at this moment, and turn for a cure to Hop Bitters.

If you are sick with that terrible sickness Nervousness you will find a "Balm in Gilead" in the use of Hop Bitters.

If you are a frequenter or a resident of a miasmatic district, barricade your system against the scourge of all countries—malaria, epidemic biliousness, and intermittent fevers by the use of Hop Bitters.

If you have rough, purple or sallow skin, bad breath, pains and aches, and feel miserable generally, Hop Bitters will give you fair skin, rich blood, and sweetest breath, health and comfort.

In short they cure all diseases of the Stomach, Bowels, Blood, Liver, Nerves, Kidneys, Bright's Disease. \$500 will be paid for a case they will not cure or help.

That poor, bedridden, invalid wife, sister, mother, or daughter, can be made the picture of health by a few bottles of Hop Bitters, costing but a trifle. Will you let them suffer?

FOR SALE. HOUSES.

15th and Douglas Sts.

Large house of 10 rooms, 2 cellars, cistern, well, etc. Everything complete, full lot near 25th and Webster streets, \$2,500.

Two-story house, 10 rooms, hot and cold water, good barn, full lot, near Chicago and 20th street, \$2,500.

House of 8 rooms, bath room, closets, well, cistern, barn, etc., near 15th and Cuming, \$2,500.

Two-story house, 10 rooms, hot and cold water, good barn, full lot, near Chicago and 20th street, \$2,500.

House of 6 rooms, well and cistern, one and one-half lot, near 10th and Webster, \$2,500.

House of 11 rooms, two-story, cistern, etc., one-half lot, near 10th and Webster, \$2,500.

Large house 8 rooms, good cellar, barn, etc., full lot near 11th street, \$2,500.

Two-story frame house 7 rooms, full lot on Chicago near 25th street, \$2,500.

Frame house, 5 rooms, kitchen, well, etc., good cellar, full lot near 25th and Cuming, \$2,500.

Brick house one and one-half story, four rooms and kitchen, large barn, on Sherman avenue (19th street) near bridge, \$2,500.

Large two-story one and one-half story house, 10 rooms, brick foundation, everything complete, 180x100 feet on Sherman avenue, near street, \$2,500.

Two-story brick house of 6 rooms, 2 cellars, good cellar, cistern, well, etc., 231 and 233, \$2,500.

Three acres of good old St. Mary's convent with about 15 or 20 rooms, 3 stories, on St. Mary's avenue, opposite the Woodworth residence, \$2,500.

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