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ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

The Docket.

The docket of the district court is now printed and shows 264 civil cases and the following criminal cases: State of Iowa vs. Wm. Plumer, obstructing highway; Wm. Martin, larceny; W. M. Doty, larceny; John Ryan, larceny; A. Campbell, assault to murder; George Bentley, forgery; John Howard, assault; Mark Walters, assault to rape; Fred Hill, W. L. Pratt, George and Charles Beck, assault to murder; Laura B. Kelsey, adultery; Fred Uhlan; M. P. Hanley, larceny; W. T. Harmon, assault; J. D. Smith, larceny; George Witting malicious threats; W. T. Callison, nuisance; Matthew Lanning, assault; John Smith, assault; M. J. O'Conner, selling liquor; G. D. Toothaker and S. L. Bulker, appeal; James Givens, assault; Dug Points et al.; Alonzo Jump, burglary.

A Case Not Beyond Help.

Dr. M. H. Hinsdale, Kenawee, Ill., advises ut of a remarkable cure of consumption. He says: "A neighbour's wife was attacked with violent lung disease, and pronounced beyond help from Quick Consumption. As a last resort the family was persuaded to try DR. W. M. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS. To the astonishment of all, by the time she had used one half dozen bottles she was about the house doing her own work. I saw her at her worst and had no idea she could recover."

IOWA ITEMS.

The Fort Dodge public schools run on standard time.

The Rock Rapids flax mill has about 300 tons of straw on hand.

C. C. Matter has been re-elected principal of the Woodbine public schools.

The barbed-wire factory at Boone will have a capacity of 200 carloads per year.

About 300,000 bushels of potatoes have been shipped this season from Davenport.

The Methodist pastor at Estherville weighs 280 pounds, and is said to be a growing man.

Four deliveries of mail a day are now made in Cedar Rapids, instead of two as heretofore.

Storm Lake sidewalks are so worn that the Tribune fears that they may prove too expensive.

The vulgar writings on the fences and sidewalks of Corning has attracted the attention of the pulpit.

The Des Moines city hospital is in debt $607, and has grown to be a burden, and will be closed.

Miss Mattie Snodgrass, of Boonsboro, a consumptive, while walking over the floor, sank down and expired.

Charley Buck, of Creston, has skipped out with a $160 of his employer's money, entrusted to him to buy cattle.

Jesse Wallace has lived on a farm three miles south of Oottumwa for forty years. He is now seriously ill.

The 2-year-old boy of Mrs. Ed. Wood died in Boone from the effects of creosote, a bottle of which the little one got hold of.

C. Bechstam, a Swede, was crushed to death in a Des Moines coal mine on the 23d. He had a wife and three children.

The Cedar Rapids packing house had cut 59,468 hogs up to Saturday night, against 26,219 for the same time last year.

John James, aged 52 years and a resident of Iowa City for twenty-seven years, suicided at Des Moines on the 24th inst. by poison.

The total valuation of property in Wapello county is $6,614,600, and the total amount of taxes to be raised is $224,768.

Miss Jennie Sower left Marshalltown on the 19th for southern California in the hope of benefit to her health. She died at Deming, N. M., on the 24th.

The trial of Phone Boseley, for the deadly assault on William Kennedy and the incidental killing of Frank Young in Clinton last September, has resulted in a verdict of "not guilty."

Rev. J. Bowman, has been forty-three years in the active ministry, and is the oldest in active service in the upper Iowa conference. He has preached between 7,000 and 8,000 sermons, and attended 300 funerals.

Harl Parrott, while being taken before the insanity commission at Iowa City, cut his throat. His chances for life and death are about even. Harl is 21 years of age, and it is said that he got unbalanced by love of a young lady who loved not him.

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A Superstitious Thief.

Utica Observer.

Philip Guyer, of Paterson, lost a large sum of money by theft recently. He suspected an old woman of the neighborhood, but did not have sufficient evidence to warrant his making a complaint against her. What made it the more suspicious was that the woman called every morning to ask Mr. Guyer if he had got any trace of the thief. The following story is told by a Paterson police official: Mr. Guyer ascertained that she was very superstitious, and the next morning, when she called and asked, as usual, if there was any news of the thief, he replied:

"No; but I expect to know who it was to-night."

"How?" asked the woman.

"Do you see those three nails?" said Mr. Guyer, showing the woman three very, old and rusty nails. "Well, they came from a coffin that had been buried for a hundred years."

"The Virgin save us," said the woman crossing herself.

"And do you see that paper?"

"I do."

"Well, that is a prayer which I just got from the priest."

"And what are you going to do with those things?

"Well," answered Mr. Guyer, slowly and impressively, looking the woman in the face, "to-night at 12 o'clock I am to go into a certain yard where there is a pear tree. I am to nail that prayer to the tree with these three nails. Every time I drive a nail I am to repeat that prayer aloud. When I drive the last nail and repeat the prayer for the last time the person who stole the money will drop dead

The woman turned pale, and departed without saying a word. That evening about 8 o'clock, there was a rap at his front door. He went to the door and there was no one in sight, but on the sill he found a small package containing the money that had been stolen.

Served Him Right.

"I have used *Burdock Blood Bitters* and am happy to say they have done me more good than anything yet. Send a further quantity at once." This man was a sufferer from dyspepsia for twenty years. His name is Alexander Lough, and he lives at Alpena, Mich.

ELLA LARRABEE, BURGLAR.

A Brooklyn Young Woman "Who Couldn't Help It."

New York Journal November 25.

"I couldn't resist the temptation judge, and I plead guilty."

The speaker was a young woman who appeared to be about eighteen or nineteen years of age. Her features were prepossessing, her manners modest, and her dress neat and becoming.

The young woman was Ella Larrabee, known to the police as "the female burglar."

Yesterday morning she was brought before Justice Walsh in Brooklyn, on the charge of having stolen clothing valued at $25 from Mrs. Henrietta Hall. It appears that while in the act of passing the residence of Mrs. Hall the prisoner observed that the front door was open. Without a moment's hesitation Ella entered and walked into the nearest room, where some silk dresses were lying. She succeeded in getting away with the property unobserved.

A few evenings ago Detectives Lowery and Chambers visited Billy McGlory's boudoir in New York for the purpose of hunting up a male thief. Their attention was called to Ella by the remark:

"There is one of the liveliest Brooklyn girls that comes into this dive."

The officers noticed that Ella was well dressed and apparently in funds, but did not speak to her. Upon returning to Brooklyn, however, they learned of the robbery of Mrs. Hall, and agreed that Ella was just the sort of person to have committed the theft. Then they proceeded to the girl's residence, charged her with having robbed Mrs. Hall, and were delighted to obtain from her a confession.

In court yesterday the officer stated that the goods stolen were worth more than $25, but that it would take considerable testimony to prove the fact. They were of opinion that it would be a saving of expense to the county to accept a plea of guilty to petty larceny.

"I won't do that without the district attorney's consent," said Justice Walsh. "This girl has served a year in the penitentiary on a charge of attempted burglary."

The district-attorney consented to the plea, being convinced that it would be difficult if not impossible to convict of a graver offense. When the prisoner pleaded guilty a fashionably dressed young man who had sat by her side grasped her hand warmly and seemed to be on the point of bursting into tears. The judge sentenced Ella to imprisonment in the penitentiary for six months. As she was led back to a cell by a court officer she murmured:

"I couldn't help it; I couldn't indeed."

"That girl is one of the most remarkable criminals that Brooklyn has produced," said a detective to a Journal reporter; "and her history before she became a criminal is a strange one."

"How so?"

"When a baby her mother could not nurse her, and placed Ella in charge of a woman who also had a young babe. The nurse's baby died, but when Ella's mother came for her child she was met with the remark, 'Why, your baby is dead. This is my baby.' Of course there was a lively scene, but eventually Ella was handed over to the woman who employed the nurse. But the nurse claims her still, and so Ella may be said to have two mothers."

"How about her career as a criminal?"

"She has been arrested repeatedly for thieving, and, as the judge said, has served a year in the penitentiary for attempted burglary. On account of her youth and beauty several humane people have from time to time interested themselves in her welfare. One old gentleman of wealth was anxious to marry her, but I guess that she shook him for a young man. She has promised to reform with such evident honesty of declaration as to deceive every one who came in contact with her. For one, I don't think that she is right in the head."

"How not right?"

"Why, she is a kleptomaniac if there ever was one, and I heard a doctor say that when he saw her on the witness stand a year ago. She says herself that whenever she sees anything valuable lying around loose she wants to steal it."

"You're something valuable lying around loose," said Court Clerk Hannon. "It's a wonder she didn't steal you."

The court rapped for order as the detective muttered something which sounded very much like "you're a damphool."

FOUND IN A BOX.

Mr. John Kinsman, of Augusta, Me., writes, May 10, 1883, as follows: "I have been afflicted for one years with a severe kidney trouble, and having noticed an article in one of our papers of the wonderful cures Hunt's Remedy had performed in many cases of dropsy, bladder and kidney troubles, and finding a bottle in a box of straw packing, I concluded I would try it, and commenced to take it, when, to surprise, I found that the first bottle benefited me so much that I decided that I would continue its use, and I kept on taking it until I had used in all six bottles, and my appetite is good, all pains in the back and side disappeared, and for one of my years am now 80 years old) I am able to attend to my business, and am strong and vigorous, as many of my friends and neighbors an testify that know me well. I beg to state also, that many of our neighbors have used Hunt's Remedy with equally as good results, and one of my friends who has just purchased a bottle of Guppy, Kinsman & Alden, of Portland, says he would not be without it at any price.'

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Mr. Alfred Nadeau, No. 62 Lincoln street Lewiston, Me., writes us, May 24, 1883: "I have been severely afflicted for a long time with indigestion and liver complaint, and at times all that I ate so distressed me that I could not bear the sight of food. I had tried a good many different remedies for my complaint, and they all failed, until one day Mr. Martel, one of our druggists in Lewiston, recommended Hunt's Remedy, as he knew of so many who had used it here with great success for kidney, liver, and urinary troubles, as well as indigestion and upon his recommendation I finally concluded to try a bottle, and commenced taking, with very little faith in it. The first bottle helped me so much that I purchased two more, and it has done me a wonderful amount of good, and cured me of indigestion. I can eat all kinds of food now, and can truly recommend Hunt's Remedy as a sure cure for indigestion, liver and kidney diseases."

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