

THE DAILY BEE. COUNCIL BLUFFS.

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The trustees of the public library meet this evening.

The council meets next Wednesday evening again.

Yesterday was a remarkably quiet day in police matters.

The mesmeric entertainment closed on Saturday evening.

The Spiritual society had a pleasant social and dance Saturday evening.

Several important matters are to be brought up at the board of trade meeting Tuesday evening.

Brown, the carpenter who fell from the top of the Masonic temple into the basement, bids fair to recover.

Officer Leonard yesterday arrested a man giving his name as Williams, for beating the Lower house out of a board bill.

Council Bluffs lodge No. 49, I. O. O. F., has passed resolutions of respect and sympathy on the death of Leonard Leutinger.

The crowd at Lockwell's opening Saturday evening was one of the largest ever seen here on such an occasion.

John Donahay has been complained of for disturbing the peace, by using vile and boisterous language to Mr. Welch, on Fifth avenue.

The fire alarm box in front of Deere, Wells & Co.'s warehouse was found tampered with the other night, or it at least was suspiciously out of fix.

J. M. Matthews, of this city, has been appointed deputy grand master of the Odd Fellows for this district, including Pottawattamie and Mills county.

The officers now, when they arrest a man, unless he is drunk to move, take him to the county jail, for fear that he might fall asleep in the calabose and roll out.

George Ferguson, of the Pacific house, is showing up some pretty good corn from his farm at Persia, considering that the weather has made it hard to coax it along.

The Round table meets to-morrow evening at Dr. Montgomery's residence, the programme to be the same as that arranged for last week, that meeting having been broken into by the storm.

The grand jury has found an indictment against young Lloyd, the mere boy who was arrested for trying to get a check cashed at the Citizens' bank, with the forged name of J. R. Davidson.

It is said that the Union Pacific will not accept the proposition to run a track up Twelfth avenue, because of the clause providing that the rates shall be the same as on freight delivered at the transfer.

The Harkness brothers have received the sad news of the death of their grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Fisk, of New York state. She was 87 years of age, and has been quite vigorous until just before her death.

William Gibson, who a short time ago, gave bonds not to get drunk and abuse his wife, broke out again and on being brought into court Saturday was sentenced to ten days in jail, to get the whisky out of him.

Religious services are still kept up in the jail every Sunday afternoon. If the board of education had the power it would probably stop this, on the ground that the jail was not built for any such purpose.

Richard Baker, better known as "Texas," and his brother, together with a woman, and also of swarthy color, were arrested Saturday night for being inmates of a house of prostitution, and the trio were lodged in the county jail.

The machinery started up at the water works at the river moves as smoothly as could be asked for. The pipe laying will all be done and the supply of water sent throughout the city by the latter part of this month, and probably sooner.

Sneaks have stripped the clothes-line of W. M. Graham, who lives near the Rock Island depot. The mayor had better issue another proclamation warning crooks and thieves to leave the city. They evidently did not see the other one.

The Partridge family in the eastern part of the city seems to be in trouble again. Two of the little boys have been invited to appear again before Judge Aylesworth, on complaint of a neighbor who says his children are being continually abused by the Partridges.

There was a large audience at the Baptist church last evening, to hear Rev. J. G. Loman's discourse on "The Absurdities of Science." The discourse was an interesting one and an interesting synopsis of the leading thoughts will appear in to-morrow's Bee.

Attention is called to the special notice of Mr. W. Duncan, found in another column. He is a thorough gun-maker, and is just the one to make any repairs needed in that line. His headquarters are at the Domestic sewing machine establishment, of which Mr. Hazard is agent, No. 106 South Main street.

The property owners on Glen avenue are very hopeful that when the old city buildings are sold, the ground on which they now stand will be given up for widening that street. There seems to be,

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