

OMAHA. Thursday Morning, Jan. 17.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

A party of seven miners, from the far west passed through this city yesterday on the Denver train, bound for Harris.

The funeral of little Sammy Harris, two-year-old son of R. A. Harris, will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence of Mr. Harris, 1377 Cass street.

A quantity of lace and other goods were taken from a woman yesterday, who was peddling upon the street without a license.

There were five cases of intoxication in police court yesterday morning. They were each fined \$5 and costs. One paid, while the other four were sent up on the hill to board it out with the sheriff.

The Denver train from the west yesterday morning was late, and did not reach this city until 10 o'clock. The sleeping cars of the train were better filled than they have been for several weeks before.

A team attached to a covered wagon, evidently an express wagon, dashed madly down Ninth street about noon yesterday. The wagon maintained its equilibrium and no damage was done.

J. B. Southard, the newly appointed deputy county clerk, leaves soon on a trip to Chicago. After his return he will take business in the office, where being an excellent accountant he will prove valuable.

M. Toft, proprietor of the People's bank, left yesterday for New York, Boston, and other eastern markets to buy a stock of goods for a wholesale notion house, which he will open for business here after his return.

Mr. Nalden, who has been for some time past in charge of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul ticket office in Council Bluffs, has been appointed ticket agent for the same company in Omaha. He will run both offices for a while, at least.

A drunken soldier was taken into the city jail by Officers Matza and Turnbull last night about 10 o'clock. He was a terrible wild fellow and fought all the way to the jail, and after he was landed within the walls it took four men to search him.

The will of Mrs. Mary E. Van Tassel, the lamented wife of R. S. Van Tassel, and who was well known in Omaha, was submitted to probate before Judge Bergman, of Cheyenne, yesterday. The amount bequeathed in the will is about \$80,000, left in trust for the three children of the deceased lady. E. W. Whitcomb was made executor and trustee. The bond required of him was \$100,000, which was furnished.

The Omaha National bank has just completed, in the basement of their building, a magnificent vault, which is both fire, burglar, water and air proof. In this vault is arranged a large number of boxes or drawers, which will be rented to the public at from \$5 to \$50 each. It is just such a thing as Omaha has long needed, and papers or valuables placed in that vault are as safe as if buried a hundred thousand leagues below the surface of the earth.

R. A. Bachmann, who was so unfortunate as to have his hand taken off while coupling cars at Council Bluffs a few days since, and who has since been at St. Joseph's hospital, in this city, desires to express his sincere thanks to his many friends, who have been so kind to him in his late misfortune. He has received many calls and many little acts have been performed which have conduced to his comfort. The wounded arm is getting along nicely, and aside from a little pain which is felt in the hand which is not, Mr. Bachmann suffers very little.

Mr. E. P. Vining, the new commissioner of the railroad pool, has made a selection of two of his associates. They are both men who have long been known as possessing a degree far above the average in their respective branches of business. They are Messrs. C. W. Boyden, stenographer and W. H. McMillan, vice clerk, both of the general freight office of the Union Pacific. Both left for Chicago yesterday. It is reported that Mr. McMillan will be succeeded by J. A. Monroe, the assistant general freight agent of the Union Pacific. Mr. Boyden's successor has not yet been named.

A very pleasant party was given Tuesday night at the residence of Mr. John Logan, corner of Fourteenth street and Capitol avenue, it being the occasion of his sixty-third birthday. A few of his intimate friends met at the home of Mrs. Mack, just across the road, and together went over to Mr. Logan's, completely surprising him. Before taking their departure they left a large arm chair for Mr. Logan to spend his declining years in. Dancing was indulged in and a number of the visitors made things lively by a few nice songs. Mr. Logan is an old settler in Omaha, and his friends hope that he may live to see many more happy birthdays.

Constable Edgerton returned Sunday from Atchison, Kansas, with Mand Milton, otherwise Millie Ray. This woman was for some time in a house of ill-fame in this city, having come here from St. Joe about six weeks ago. On Thursday evening she took a sudden notion to leave, and packed up her own clothes, and also some of the best apparel belonging to her landlady, the latter including a valuable diamond, two silk dresses, a gold chain and some other articles, all of which was recovered when she was arrested by the constable, and she was accordingly brought up and lodged in the county jail. The woman is in a delicate condition and the matter will probably be settled by her family.

THE CITY OF REFUGE.

From the East and West They Flee to Omaha for Refuge.

A Thirteen-year-old who Swore She Would Go to Omaha when a Denver Justice refused to Marry Her to a Man of Thirty-two.

The question now arises, what is there about the city of Omaha that suggests peace and safety from all the officers of the law, and why is it that people have an idea that an Omaha justice will marry anybody, no matter what age, color or nationality.

There seems to be a prevailing mania among the evil doers of Iowa to slip over into Omaha, where they are invariably captured and taken back from whence they came. Now the Iowa craze has extended to the city of Denver, where a mere baby of thirteen summers, who had obtained the consent of her mamma to wed with a man of thirty-two years.

From the Denver News of recent date is gleaned the following:

"When a woman wants to marry she wants to marry had, and she generally does marry. There are instances of girls just entering their teens adopt the idea, and all the persuasive eloquence of parents falls by the wayside, and they are compelled to yield to the desires of the daughter. Just such a case as the latter fell under the observation of a News reporter last evening.

On Wednesday evening there registered at the Washington house D. S. Hastings and wife, Miss Nellie Hodges, and Mr. George Fisher, all of Idaho Springs. Miss Hodges is the daughter of Mrs. Hastings by a former marriage. She is a pronounced brunette, with large, black, piercing eyes, and a rosy, ruddy face. Her stature is rather petite, and she would really pass for a girl of 10, but, according to the mother's statement, 13 years of age. She is the heroine, even if she is a girl. The hero is Mr. George Fisher. He is a stalwart sort of a man, is 32 years of age, and apparently well to do, but is not of a very prepossessing appearance.

Nothing of an extraordinary nature about the parties developed itself until yesterday afternoon. Then it became known that Fisher and the girl were bent on getting married, and he and Hastings went out and returned about 5 o'clock with the necessary marriage certificate. Then a carriage was called and the party went out to seek a justice of the peace. They went to Justice Jeffrey's residence and presented themselves before the local ermine to be united. At times Justice Jeffrey is inclined to be humane, and instances are on record where tears have saved a vag from a term in the county jail. He read the license, which said the girl was 18 years of age. He scanned her closely and compared her with her mother, who would knock the beam at 200. A series of questions followed when the mother finally confessed that her Nellie was but 13 years old, but she had her consent to marry. The justice refused to perform the ceremony, and then followed a series of wails and weeps. Nellie clung frantically to George as if her heart would break, and called him her dear George, and he took her to his massive bosom and called her 'little pet.' Mr. and Mrs. Hastings wept copiously and would not be comforted. Everybody wept but the feeble-minded justice. This state of affairs lasted about five minutes. Finally Nellie, who had been in the bosom of her dear George, saw from the bosom of her dear George, she looked at the justice, her eyes flashing a fire that would have been scorching to anybody but a cruel justice. She pleaded with him to perform the ceremony, and thus make her one of the happiest women in the world. The justice was immovable. He was moved by the pleadings, and tears, and entreaties of the little woman. He had been caught once or twice for doing just what these people wanted him to do, and had resolved to never again be a party to such a transaction.

Finding that she could as easily move the corner stone of the city hall building as to move the justice, Nellie became furious. She stamped on the floor with her little foot, and climaxed the entertainment by saying: "Mr. Justice, I will be married! Yes, sir, I will be married to-night, if I have to go to Omaha." The party then took to their carriages, and went out in quest of some one empowered to perform the marital ceremony, who would not allow a few years' shortage to stand in the way of a girl's happiness.

At 10 o'clock last night the party was still on the search, having failed utterly in getting their hearts consoled through a process of law, and may be compelled to return to their home in Idaho Springs without having accomplished their soul's desire.

The Denver reporter is watching anxiously the appearance of the illy-mated couple, when he will accompany them to the nearest justice of the peace and see that the knot is properly tied. Come right along there is lots of room.

A Startling Discovery. Mr. W. Johnson, of Huron, Dak., writes that he has had trouble with acute Bronchitis for many years, and that all remedies tried gave no permanent relief, until he procured a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs, and Colds, which had a magical effect, and produced a permanent cure. It is guaranteed to cure all cases of Throat, Lung, or Bronchial Tuberculosis. Trial bottles free at C. F. Goodman's Drug Store. Large size \$1.00.

The Riley-Whitney Wedding. Cards received by friends in this city announce the wedding of Mr. James E. Riley, of Omaha, and Miss Katherine M. Whitney, of Plattburgh, N. Y., which took place at Plattburgh on the 10th inst.

Mr. Riley, who is a young gentleman of marked ability, and has been an extensive and successful contractor in this city for the past year and a half, will return with his bride, and they will be given a warm welcome. They intend to make their home here, where Mr. Riley has considerable property.

The Irish National League, of which Mr. Riley is the esteemed president, will undoubtedly show that it holds him in still higher regard since he has become a Genitor.

Get your timber trees, such as cottonwood, white ash and many others of fine variety from the Bloomington Nursery Co., Bloomington, Ill. For particulars and prices address E. H. Elliott, Omaha, N. B.—Edmond Paulsen, is authorized agent.

Police Pointers. A Man With His Head Badly Cut, and a Deserter in the Toils. Yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock a man was hauled to the city jail in an express wagon. He was unloaded and taken inside and placed in a chair. His face was smeared with blood and he looked as if he had been through an election fight.

A Bez reporter endeavored to talk with him, but he was almost too full for utterance, and moaned or whined. He did not know where he had been or what had happened. His head had a deep gash in the back part, and from the driver of the express wagon we learned that he had been in a saloon near the depot, and had got into a fight, and had been struck on the head with a beer glass. What saloon the row occurred in,

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Snell knew of this, but while he was behind the bars he refused to listen to any such proposition, and stated that in a few hours he would be at liberty and would, himself, provide the means by which the victim of his recklessness should be properly and decently interred. So at his request the body of the dead woman has been kept to await his orders.

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His pretended desire to provide for Jessie Snell a suitable burial, was only a ruse to work upon the feelings of the community that he might more easily escape from jail. The probabilities now are that no more will be seen of him. His bond will be forfeited, and he will return to the wild west, there to take another mistress, and in his drunken moments shoot from her slippers the heels, and snuff the candle in his more playful moments. One thing is certain, Omaha has no earthly use for such men as Snell and the farther they keep away the better it will be for this place, and possibly for them likewise.

An End to Bone Scraping. Edward Shepherd, of Harrisburg, Ill., says: "Having received so much benefit from Electric Bitters, I have had the honor of humanity know it. I have had a running sore on my leg for eight years; my doctors told me I would have to have the leg scraped or amputated. I used, instead, three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and my leg is now sound and well. Electric Bitters are sold at fifty cents a bottle, and Bucklen's Arnica Salve at 25c per box by C. F. Goodman.

A RICH HARVEST. The Ice Crop Now Being Gathered for Next Summer's Use. An Army of Men at Work on the Missouri, Cutting and Harvesting the Beautiful Chrysalis.

For a week past, over five hundred men have been busily at work on the surface of the Missouri river, cutting and housing the annual harvest of ice. They have been employed by various parties, all of whom firmly believe in the fact that "no man can gather cherries at the season of Christmas," and of 16 inch ice in the middle of August. The time of the ice-harvest, unlike that of human souls, is governed by the caprices of the weather.

Upon the river there is every appearance of winter, and it is a pleasing sight to stand and watch the little army of men as they move to and fro, and although they have but a few days practice each year, yet everything moves like clock-work, under the watchful eye of an experienced foreman.

There men are paid upon an average of \$1.50 cents per day. Very few of them stay more than a day or two, and new men are constantly being set at work.

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ROYAL ARCANUM. A Meeting of Pioneer Council No. 118. A Big Banquet and suitable Addresses.

A meeting of Pioneer Council No. 118, of the Royal Arcanum, which was held Tuesday for the purpose of being instructed in the new work which went into operation January 1st. This work, which was exemplified in the presence of some fifty members, was superintended by Hon. H. E. W. Campbell, representative of the supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, who was visiting the city. Mr. Campbell is regarded as one of the most prominent men connected with this young but flourishing organization and devoted his time exclusively to organizing councils, and looking after the interests of the order generally. He has visited all the principal cities of the Union and has every where met with signal success. After the business of the council, which included the initiation of two new members, had been disposed of, they adjourned to Campbell's restaurant on Douglas street, where a very elegant banquet was laid out. The banquet was got up in honor of Mr. Campbell's visit, although the members had very little time for preparation, the affair was truly brilliant and among the most brilliant that have taken place in the Gate City this season. The menu comprised all the delicacies and luxuries procurable, and presented a sight that would have gladdened the eyes of the most fastidious epicure.

Regent W. J. Kennedy, of Pioneer Council No. 118, presided, and among the remarks from abroad we noticed: Messrs. R. H. Miller, of Otes Council No. 159, Nebraska City; Arthur Gibson and G. W. D. Reynolds, of Fremont Council No. 354, Fremont, Neb., and the guest of the evening, H. E. W. Campbell, of Boston, Mass.

After the substantial had been disposed of, speeches were made by various members present, and some of them were very bright and witty.

It was at a late hour that the company dispersed after having tendered a vote of thanks to the distinguished visitor.

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RAILROAD SMASH-UP. Trains No. 11 and No. 12 Collide at Full Speed East of Sidney. On Monday night an accident occurred on the Union Pacific railroad, east of Sidney. Two engines collided, and one of them with seven cars was thrown from the track. A BEB reporter learned the collision was between trains No. 12 and No. 11; that they had collided east of Sidney, somewhere, and that there had been a wreck. This was confirmed by after reports which came through a more reliable source than conjecture, and it was also learned that in addition to seven cars of No. 11 being wrecked, both engines of the colliding trains were badly demoralized, and the head brakeman on No. 11, Vernon, had his leg broken. The track was clear for the west bound passenger, so no delay of other than freight travel occurred. The loss to the company is probably about \$20,000.

CASTORIA. Infants and Children. Without Morphine or Narcotine. What gives our Children rosy cheeks, What cures their fevers, makes them sleep, The Castoria.

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A meeting of Pioneer Council No. 118, of the Royal Arcanum, which was held Tuesday for the purpose of being instructed in the new work which went into operation January 1st. This work, which was exemplified in the presence of some fifty members, was superintended by Hon. H. E. W. Campbell, representative of the supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, who was visiting the city. Mr. Campbell is regarded as one of the most prominent men connected with this young but flourishing organization and devoted his time exclusively to organizing councils, and looking after the interests of the order generally. He has visited all the principal cities of the Union and has every where met with signal success. After the business of the council, which included the initiation of two new members, had been disposed of, they adjourned to Campbell's restaurant on Douglas street, where a very elegant banquet was laid out. The banquet was got up in honor of Mr. Campbell's visit, although the members had very little time for preparation, the affair was truly brilliant and among the most brilliant that have taken place in the Gate City this season. The menu comprised all the delicacies and luxuries procurable, and presented a sight that would have gladdened the eyes of the most fastidious epicure.

Regent W. J. Kennedy, of Pioneer Council No. 118, presided, and among the remarks from abroad we noticed: Messrs. R. H. Miller, of Otes Council No. 159, Nebraska City; Arthur Gibson and G. W. D. Reynolds, of Fremont Council No. 354, Fremont, Neb., and the guest of the evening, H. E. W. Campbell, of Boston, Mass.

After the substantial had been disposed of, speeches were made by various members present, and some of them were very bright and witty.

It was at a late hour that the company dispersed after having tendered a vote of thanks to the distinguished visitor.

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