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COUNCIL BLUFFS. ADDITIONAL LOCAL NEWS.

THE DOORS OPENED.

Johnny's Grand Opera House Admired by Hundreds of Eyes.

The Building and its Adornments a Credit to the City.

The Entertainment Too Cheap for Such an Occasion.

The long looked for event, the opening of Johnny's grand opera house, took place last evening. No private enterprise has excited more of a public interest than this, and the structure as it has gone up has been watched brick by brick and timber by timber, by many eager eyes.

The building has cost about \$55,000 and is not only large, but very finely fitted up. There are exactly 954 seats, by count, not including the private boxes.

On the first floor the auditorium is 60 by 70 feet. The seats are opera chairs, upholstered in leather and very comfortable. They are also provided with a convenient contrivance beneath the seat for holding the hats of the gentlemen.

The parquette seats 226, and the parquette circle 168, making in all 394 seats on the first floor. The ceiling is 52 feet high, and a lofty dome is given the blue of the sky and the twinkling of the stars, while from this is suspended an elegant chandelier.

The dress circle has a seating capacity of 260, and has a two-foot passage in the rear, leaving room for one more row of seats, should they be needed, and in the meantime giving very ample room for egress and ingress to each seat.

In the upper gallery there are 300 more seats. It is claimed that there is not a single seat in the house which does not give an excellent view of the entire stage, and the arrangement seems in this respect complete.

The private boxes are six on each side of the stage, and are carpeted and furnished very attractively and comfortably. The stage itself is 40 by 60 feet. There are six dressing rooms behind the stage, one on either side behind the private boxes, and five more below. All have gas, hot and cold water, and other conveniences.

The fire protection is ample, there being three stand-pipes with four hose connections on the stage, and three in the auditorium. The important matter of exits has also been well looked after, and they are numerous, besides all doors swinging out.

On the first floor there are two exits on Broadway, one onto the side street, and one into the alley at the rear. There are three other exits from the first floor, making five in all, while from the dress circle there are two stairways leading into Broadway. The gallery has one stairway opening on Sixth street for that part of the house alone. There are two exits from each box there is an exit upon the stage, from which there are several exits leading out doors.

Ventilation has also been cared for by the heating apparatus being such as to bring the hot air from the ceiling down to the very floor and carrying it out under the stage, the entire volume of air being changed every three minutes. The house is brilliantly lighted by 47 gas jets on the stage and 180 in the house proper.

The architect of this fine structure is S. E. Maxon, who has drawn the plans for several of the best buildings in this city. Mr. Hottes, the scenic artist, has done excellently in the interior decorations, but there is still some need of further touchings, which limited time has prevented, but which when done, will bring out the full beauties of the decorations.

The plumbing, gas fitting, etc., has been done by J. C. Bixby. In the furnishings of carpets, curtains, and upholstery the houses of Harkness Bros., Cassidy, Orcutt & French, and E. Stockert & Co. have been drawn upon.

The masonry of the building was done by the Wickham brothers, while the woodwork has been under the supervision of Mr. Kessner. It is to be regretted that for the opening night of the new house a better entertainment could not have been offered the people. The Church Choir company presented "The Bells of Corneville" very fairly, but there was nothing of startling merit, and much that was very far below the requirements. The audience was not so large as it would have been under different circumstances, but was rather a brilliant, dainty gathering, composed of the best citizens of the place.

The new opera house is thus opened, and now that there is a place of amusement, there will doubtless be no stint of entertainments, and the city is already promised better entertainments this season than have ever come here before. Council Bluffs having been skipped by many managers because of its having no place to appear.

Generous Givers. Robinson Bros. give away to their patrons some very rich goods. The wealth annual distribution of gifts by Messrs. Robinson Bros. has resulted as on previous occasions, with everybody being satisfied with the fairness of the methods chosen. The first gift, a diamond ring, a perfect gem, went to W. G. Dorland, No. 864. The second gift, a beautiful gold watch, was to C. A. Cochran, his number being 51,996. The third gift was an elegant French clock, given to W. T. Thompson, No. 52,484.

This house lays claim not only to being the oldest in the city, but its reliability in keeping with its age, and the confidence felt that they always meet fully every expectation made, it strengthens each year. This is the twelfth of these novel distributions, and there is yet to be heard the first complaint.

POSTAL PLUNDERERS.

Burglars Make It Lively for the Postmaster of Crescent City.

Yesterday morning about 4 o'clock burglars forced an entrance into the post office at Crescent City, and after blowing open the safe secured about \$300 in cash, all the stamps, amounting to about \$100, and some postal notes. Mr. N. Swanson, the postmaster, was awakened by the noise of the safe blowers, and hurriedly dressed, grabbed his revolver from under his pillow, and proceeded to investigate. He saw three men leaving and gave chase. He gained some on them, when they turned and fired several shots. He returned the fire, and also returned home to make an investigation of his office. He was in this city yesterday to make the above report.

NEWSY NEOLA.

Corn Rushing Into Town and Bringing Good Prices--Some Protests Against the New Court House.

NEOLA, Ia., January 16.—Since the cold snap the farmers are out in force. About 300 loads of corn are brought to this market daily. Farmers get five cents a bushel more here than they do at the surrounding towns. Persia, Minden and Underwood are doing very little in the grain trade on account of Neola's boom.

C. S. Robbins has returned from Magnolia, where he has been visiting for a few days with the "old folks at home." Mike Hagerty has been in Chicago on a business trip for some few days, but his familiar phiz is seen among us once more.

W. H. Mullaney, one of our fellow townsmen, is sticking to a little sheet that is soon to make its advent and control politics and morality in the village of Persia.

A roller skating rink has been opened in the city hall by Mr. H. Wilson, of Iowa, and in consequence the doctors have ordered a full supply of artificial legs and arms.

Wm. McDonald has moved his flour exchange to the Riechert building, on the corner of Front and Third streets.

Commodore Mendel is still with us. He claims the name of "Old Reliable," but since he went to Europe on his tour some time ago, he has so many tales of the voyage that he has been christened "Commodore."

A new sign adorns the front of the new Palace hotel. Neola has called an indignation meeting of the citizens of the town and vicinity, to condemn the action of the board of supervisors in passing any such "white elephant" resolutions. The people of Neola are not ready to vote \$200,000 to burden the taxpayers of this county only to benefit Council Bluffs. Neola is ready to make a fight for the county seat, and when she gets it, Avoca and Council Bluffs will not need to quarrel about so small a thing as one week of each term of the courts.

Real Estate Transfers. The following deeds were filed for record in the recorder's office, January 17, reported for the Bee by P. J. McMahon, real estate agent: Susan E. Case to Henry Herring, part of lot 8, block 22, Walnut—\$350.

M. H. Allison et al to W. F. Sapp, lot 7, block 3, Baylis' 1st add.—\$2,500. W. F. Sapp to W. S. Soule, lots 140 and 233, original plat—\$210.

M. W. Clatterback to Wm. Montgomery et al, lot 17, block 31, Central sub—\$125. Wm. Montgomery to Jas. I. Rhore, lot 16, block 31, Central sub—\$200.

Geo. Fritz to Wm. H. Negley, part of lot 8, block 22, Walnut—\$350. John W. Moore to W. H. Book, part of lot 2, 74, 38—\$1,740.

COMMERCIAL. COUNCIL BLUFFS MARKET. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 75c; No. 3, 65c; rejected, 50c; good demand. Corn—City, 1.25; mixed, 1.15; old corn, 1.00; good supply; prices at yards, 6.00@7.00.

HERDS AND HERDELS. The Fort Collins Courier says Colorado sold 100,000 head steers in 1883. The government proposes to buy 400 cows and 20 calves for the Missouri Indian Agency in New Mexico. Bids will be opened on the 21st.

40,000 cattle grazed on the nutritious band grass furnished throughout the winter portions of the state. The Northwestern Live Stock Journal says from a cattlemen from the ranges in central Wyoming, that upon any and all ages fat beef could be found. Not common set, but animals with the tallow mixed all through the flesh, rich and juicy. Pretty good for grass cattle in January.

A WONDERFUL QUILT.

A St. Joseph Lady Spends Three Years Making One.

There is a young lady living near St. Joseph who reserves a medal. Her name is Miss Mollie, and she is a native of New York, and lives with a prominent farmer some six miles from the city. She has lived in this section about five years some three years ago she conceived the idea of making a quilt, and went to work. She began to write letters to prominent women of the United States, asking for a small bit of a dress. Hundreds of letters were written, and let it be said to the credit of the noble women of America, they responded almost without an exception. Miss Mollie told each of them what she proposed to do, and in almost every instance the scrap would come, and with it a few kind words and good wishes, as well as informing her when the goods were made and what for. Miss Mollie began making her quilt; she worked away at it every spare moment, and every day added many pieces to her collection. The quilt is almost if not quite completed, and The News informant says it is really a beauty. It is most exquisitely made, a sort of crazy quilt, and very attractive. Our informant doesn't remember the number of pieces it contains, but it goes up into the thousands, and embraces all shades, sizes and quality of material, from the plain calico to the richest and most beautiful fabric. When asked who contributed to this wonderful quilt, our informant said he couldn't begin to name one fifth of the ladies, but did name some. He mentioned the names of Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Sartoris, Mrs. Governor Knott, Mrs. Langtry, Fanny Davenport, Ellen Terry, Clara Morris, Maggie Mitchell, Kellogg, Bernhardt, Lotta, Anna Dickenson, Mrs. Hendricks, Phoebe Cousins, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Medill, Mrs. Story, Thos. E. Fletcher, Mrs. Carlisle, Mrs. Waterson, Mrs. Crittenden, and fully 100 others, all more or less known to fame. In addition to having contributed from all the distinguished ladies of the country, many of our own ladies were asked to contribute, and a great many ladies of St. Joseph, Kansas City, and the smaller cities in this neighborhood responded. The quilt is the work of fully three years, and has now cost quite an outlay, to say nothing of the labor, which is no small or trifling item. It is needless for us to attempt to describe the quilt or give our lady readers an idea of the pieces and make it, as any one possessing any knowledge at all—and The News' readers are happily blessed with that commodity in abundance—for they know more about it than we do. Miss Mollie has had many offers from parties who wish to purchase it. A great many ladies who contributed to making it begged to get an opportunity of purchasing it, and told her to go ahead and make it and they would take it at her own figures. Miss Mollie says she wouldn't sell it for anything. She can call off every square in it and tell who sent it, and when the dress was worn. This is probably the most wonderful article of the kind ever made, and Miss Mollie deserves great praise, not only for her original idea, but for industry and genius, which qualities are certainly most creditable.

Plain Facts Plainly Spoken.

At one time a discussion of the secret vice was entirely avoided by the profession, and medical works but a few years ago would hardly mention it. Today the physician is of a different opinion; he is no longer so reticent, and is willing to speak plainly about it; and intelligent parents and guardians will thank him for doing so. The results attending this destructive vice were formerly not understood, or not properly estimated; and an instance being attached to a subject which by its nature does not invite close investigation, it was willingly ignored. The habit is generally contracted by the young while attending school; other companions through the influence of the habit, becomes firm and completely enslaves the victim. Mental and nervous affections are usually the primary results of self-abuse. Among the various effects mentioned last night, the boy seeks seclusion, and rarely joins in the sports of his companions. It is to be young men will be little found in company with the other sex, and is troubled with morbid and annoying humors in his presence. Lascivious dreams, emissions and eruptions on the face, etc., are also prominent symptoms.

The practice is violently perverted in more serious disturbances take place. Great palliation of the heart, or epileptic convulsions, are experienced, and the sufferer may fall into a complete state of idiocy before finally, death follows. To all those engaged in this dangerous practice, I would say, first of all, stop it at once; make every possible effort to rid your mind of your evil system; it is already too much shattered, and consequently, your will-power broken, take some nerve tonic to aid you in your effort. Having done this, I would advise you to go through a regular course of treatment, for it is a great mistake to suppose that any one cure, or to be a every so often give himself up to this fascinating but dangerous habit. The number of young men who are incapacitated to fill the duties of life, and who are abandoned to the practice of self-abuse, which has been abandoned years ago. Indeed, a moderate practice of this habit is sufficient to induce spermatorrhea 10 years ago, and has been the cause of such under treatment at the present day.

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Middle Aged Men.

There are many at the age of 30 to 40 who are troubled with too frequent evacuations of the bladder, often accompanied by a slight smarting or itching sensation, and a weakening of the system in a manner the patient cannot account for. On examining the urinary deposit a few medical writers have found this to be a sign of a morbid condition of the prostate gland, and sometimes small particles of albumen will appear in the urine, which characterizes that disease, and in some cases, the urine will be found to be of a dark and turbid appearance. There are many, many men who die of this difficulty ignorant of the cause, which is the prostate gland. Dr. W. will guarantee a perfect cure in all cases and a healthy restoration of the genital-urinary organs.

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