

THE DAILY BEE

Thursday Morning Dec. 4. LOCAL BREVITIES.

The new Paxton and Gallagher block is being rapidly brought to completion. Hear "Under the Palms" at the First M. E. church this evening. It is a beautiful cantata and will be finely rendered. The Arion club will give its first party this evening. The committee assure success and a grand time is anticipated by all. The famous Salisbury's Troubadours appear at Boyd's Opera House Friday and Saturday in "Three of a Kind." The sale of seats opens to-day. A watch stolen a short time ago by a disorderly woman, who is now dead, was recovered by a detective from a 7th street pawn-broker shop yesterday. Comfort Sack yesterday brought suit against Charles W. Sack in the district court to recover the sum of \$1,000 alleged to be due on two promissory notes. Ed Ryan and Charles Powers were both brought before the police court yesterday to answer to complaints that they had been making threats against the lives of citizens. Geo. and Chauncey Whitting, the two brothers who were ordered out of town last August for ever, were seen in the city last evening. Judge Busck will have business all winter. Yesterday half a dozen very large deer were laid down in front of Branch & Co.'s commission house on Farnam street. They were magnificent animals, and one of them was a blacktail, a rare species. There will be a regular meeting of DeLoe Hose Co., No. 4, this, Thursday, evening, at 8 o'clock sharp. All members are requested to be present, as business of importance is to be transacted. By order of G. Williams, president. A. T. Wiberg, secretary. W. F. Brown & Co., stock dealers at the stock yards report the following sales yesterday: 57 hogs averaging 280 lbs at \$3.85; 44 hogs, averaging 285 lbs, at \$3.91; 62 hogs, averaging 267 lbs, at \$3.85; 50 hogs, averaging 290 lbs, at \$3.85; 62 hogs, averaging 290 lbs, at \$4.00; 20 rough butchers' steers averaging 1150 lbs, at \$4.00. The ladies of the Temple Israel congregation convened Tuesday afternoon in the vestry rooms of the temple for the purpose of arranging a fair for the benefit of the benevolent association to be held the first week in February, 1885. The following are the officers: Julia Meyer, pres.; Mrs. Newman, treasurer; Mrs. A. Rosewater, recording secretary and Mr. J. Oberlander, financial secretary. The soliciting committee are Mrs. Reid, secy.; Mrs. Oberlander, Mrs. Heller, Mrs. Max Meyer, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. A. Cahn, Mrs. Merritt and Mrs. Simon and Mrs. Danbaum. Capt. Sullivan had his officers yesterday notifying all property owners that no refuse, dirt or garbage must be dumped on paved streets or alleys, as he will hereafter enforce the ordinance and fine all offenders. The garbage man will take all stuff put in barrels off as fast as it accumulates. This is a good move and should be pushed through.

A CRIME COMMITTED.

The Coroner's Jury Held Thompson and "English Liz."

The Evidence Tending Strongly Toward Their Guilt.

A Summary of the Testimony Adduced at the Inquest.

Yesterday the inquest in the matter of the death of Nettie Howard, who was fatally burned last Saturday morning, was commenced. Coroner Maul at once impelled a jury and set to work examining witnesses. Mr. Park Godwin had come down from Sargy county to attend the inquest, and Attorney Shields defended "English Liz" Howard and John Thompson, the two parties who are accused of the crime. Mr. Emil Balle was the first witness examined. Mr. Balle testified that he was one of the three men who passed by the hut of "English Liz" on the morning of the fire; thought that it was about 1 o'clock at night; had closed up his saloon about that time, and in company with two other gentlemen, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Haasinger, had gone up to the house of "English Liz"; Haasinger knocked at the door; at first "English Liz" would not admit them; afterwards some one opened the door. Went in in company with the two. As witness stepped inside he heard some one cry, "The house is on fire!" Witness saw Nettie Howard lying on the floor, wrapped in flames; thought he saw Peterson throw a bucket of water on her. After the fire was extinguished Thompson came up and said to witness and companions that they were no good and must leave, and acted as though he wanted to conceal something; also, remembered Thompson saying, when it was proposed to lay the girl on the bed, that she was drunk as a tick and that there was nothing else the matter with her. Witness was afterwards cross-examined by Mr. Shields, but with no material addition to his evidence. Witness thought that they were in the house altogether about five minutes; remembered seeing some one run to the window and throw out the burning clothes; thought it was Thompson. W. H. Wilson, a colored man living next door, was put upon the witness stand and testified to the circumstances of the discovery of the fire. Witness first went out of the door and seeing the flames rushed back into the house and dressed himself. When witness went into the house the girl Nettie Howard was lying on the floor midway between the front and back rooms. Thompson told me that the girl had tripped over the lamp while in bed and set herself on fire, and that she had been drunk that night. "English Liz" appeared greatly moved and kept saying "Oh, she's dying!" Helped lift the girl on the bed after she had relapsed into unconsciousness. Thompson kept saying she was only drunk and ought to be let alone; did not see the lamp overturned. Jacob Peterson, the companion of Balle, was next upon the stand. Testified substantially as Balle. Had known "English Liz" and Nettie Howard for several months; went into the house and found the girl Nettie sitting on the bed, all on fire; saw Thompson go up to the girl, and throwing a blanket around her pull her off the bed; witness then seized a pail of water and threw upon the burning girl; after witness had extinguished the fire, Thompson came up and said: "Get out of here, you --- of ---, we don't want you in here;" witness then left with Balle and Haasinger. S. E. Haasinger then testified exactly as the other two, Balle and Peterson. Mr. Joe Hamill, of the Times, then testified. Witness said that on December 1 (Monday), in company with A. J. Kendrick, of the Dispatch, he had visited the dying girl for the purpose of getting her to make a statement as to how the crime was committed. Witness went up to the bedside of Nettie Howard and said: "Nettie, do you recognize me?" She said, "No, I do not." Witness then asked her, "Who was it that burned you?" Nettie said, "Some one." Witness said, "Who?" Nettie said, "Thompson," in a distinctly audible, though husky, whisper tone. Witness then asked her if "English Liz" had anything to do with the burning. The girl replied, "Yes, she poured oil over me." Witness asked, "What did Thompson do?" "He lit the match and set me on fire," said the girl. Witnesses said that the girl then sunk back on her pillow and said she didn't care to say anything more. The girl appeared to be perfectly conscious and there was no incoherence in her talk. Nellie Fuller, the woman who attended Nettie Howard, during her illness, was the next witness. She said that she had known the dead girl about four years. Witness described the manner of her going into the house and discovering that the girl was in flames. Her testimony developed no point of special interest. Thompson had gone up to the bedside of Nettie Howard early Saturday morning, after the fire had been extinguished and he had said, "Nettie, can you ever forgive the man who burned you?" Nettie said, "No, I'll never give you away."

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PERSONAL.

Mrs. G. M. Lamberton, her sister Miss Gundry, Mineral Point, Wis., Miss Banta, Lincoln, and Miss McWilliam, Dwight, Ill., are guests of the Paxton. Chas. O. Malley, Lincoln; Jas. C. Mackey, Plattsmouth, L. L. Price, Odell, J. R. Brown, Emerson, F. W. Schaffer, Crete, S. W. Long and wife, James Rivett, Lincoln, E. H. Allen and M. Pederson of Sutton, Neb., are at the Metropolitan. Mr. A. R. Newton, the active north-west passenger agent of the Memphis route, arrived here yesterday. Mr. Newton is in the city to make the preliminary arrangements for starting two trains from Omaha to New Orleans over his road and for the putting on of two through sleepers from Kansas City to the cotton expedition without change. Judge Nelson, who has been assisting Judge Dundy in his labors in the U. S. court, will leave this evening for his home in St. Paul, Minn. Judge Nelson was in Omaha holding court several years ago, and remarks that a great change has taken place here in the way of growth and improvement. Judge Nelson has been on the U. S. bench for nearly twenty-seven years, being appointed by James Buchanan to the territorial bench of Minnesota, and when that state was admitted into the Union, in 1858, he was transferred to that of the District court.

A FRUITFUL SUBJECT.

The Clerk of the Weather Makes Up His November Report. The monthly weather report of the Omaha signal office has just been issued and shows the following facts: Mean barometer 30.172, mean temperature 29.3, maximum temperature 60.5, minimum 29.5. Daily rainfall, .011. GENERAL ITEMS. Highest barometer 30.582, date 5th; Lowest barometer 29.998, date 26th. Monthly range of barometer .884. Highest temperature 63.6, date 12th and 15th; lowest temperature 29, date 23; greatest daily range of temperature 34.9 on the 22d; least daily range of temperature 8.5 on the 17th; mean daily range of temperature 21.1. Mean daily dew-point, 315, mean daily relative humidity, 736; prevailing direction of wind, north; Total movement of wind 5572 miles; highest velocity of wind and direction, 36 northwest. Number of foggy days, 4; No. of clear days, 14; No. of fair days, 9; No. of cloudy days, 7; No. of days on which rain and snow fell, 4; 2; depth of unmelting snow on ground at end of month, 0. Dates of aurores, 1st; dates of solar halos, 0; dates of lunar halos, 1st; dates of fraz, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14, 19, 20, 21. COMPARATIVE MEAN TEMPERATURE. Year. Degree. Year. Degree. 1871.....30.7 1878.....43.8 1872.....30.1 1879.....42.5 1873.....32.2 1880.....40.4 1874.....34.0 1881.....38.9 1875.....32.6 1882.....39.7 1876.....31.1 1883.....39.2 1877.....35.0 1884.....39.2

A NEW THING UNDER THE SUN.

It has long been held that life insurance, where mutual security is sought, should be of a joint character, that is husband and wife, say, ought to be insured jointly in one policy at the cost of single insurance, the benefit payable to the survivor. The Kaw Life Association, of Kansas City, has adopted this joint feature, and is the only company in the United States so operated. The popularity of this plan has resulted in a merited, wonderful business for the association, which has already written over \$50,000 of insurance for 1884. Another excellent feature is that the association is managed by old insurance men of business integrity, and is backed by ample security. The name of the "Kaw Life" is bound to become a household word the land over. dec11

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