

THE DAILY BEE

Thursday Morning Dec. 18. LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Missouri Pacific train from the south was four hours late yesterday morning. Many a man took a fall yesterday owing to the slippery condition of the sidewalks. Next Sunday afternoon at Turner hall the Musical Union orchestra will give a grand concert. An order appointing J. A. Griffin the fuel agent of the Union Pacific road was issued yesterday. A young man named Albert Weber, was injured by jumping from a moving train in the Union Pacific yards yesterday. Tuesday Joseph R. Kemp swore out a peace warrant against Alexander Schauf and Schauf was arrested and furnished the required bond. As Christmas draws near the stores handling fancy goods are thronged with customers who are in search of some little token of love for the dear ones. The choir at St. Philomena's cathedral will sing Mozart's Twelfth Mass on Christmas morning and will be accompanied by the Musical Union orchestra. C. E. Fuller, the slick "con" man, has been working the residents of Ida county on Christmas and the sheriff has written to Marshal Cummings in regard to the matter. The ghost at the city jail still makes its nightly appearance to the inebriated lodgers at that place, but Ed. Gorman says that he has failed to see anything which looks like a spirit form. It may seem strange, but it is reverse the fact, that the Missouri river last night closed its doors and made an assignment to the ice houses. In other words, the river has frozen up. Growing out of the late unpleasantness of the peace warrant affair in Justice Bartlett's court, Mrs. Schnap charges that Judge Flint rudely laid his hands on her, and assaulted her in the Court house yesterday. The jurors for the B. & M. bridge over the U. P. track at Summit were completed yesterday. The workmen will begin putting on the false wood superstructure to-day, after which the iron will be put in place. The first proofs of the engravings for THE BEE's annual illustrated review were taken yesterday. The work on this supplement is progressing nicely and if nothing happens it will be issued on New Year's day. Numerous complaints have been made of late about the use of south Eighteenth street near the county jail as a wood-yard. This nuisance has occasioned this thoroughfare for some time past, and should be abated. The Big Muddy at this place was yesterday frozen over for the first time this winter and the people of Council Bluffs and Omaha are looking forward to an interchange of hospitalities upon the first fall of snow. There will be special meetings for young men at the M. C. A. rooms on this Friday and Saturday evenings (December 18, 19 and 20), commencing at 7:30. You are invited. Come and bring your friends. Attention, Myrtle Division No. 3, U. I. K. of P. All members are requested to be present at Army-to-morrow evening at 7:30 o'clock, conferring the rank and business for your attention. By order Sir Knight Commander. The second alarm Tuesday night brought No. 4 hose cart, Eleventh and Douglas streets. It was their first run, and "Bolivar" pulled the two-wheeled cart up Sixteenth street at a lightning gait, after a run of a mile and a half. The funeral of Clara Pierce took place from the First Methodist church yesterday afternoon and was largely attended. Rev. Savidge preached the sermon and Miss Lizzie Calderwood and the Quartette glee club sang a beautiful hymn. There will be a mother's temperance prayer at the First M. E. church, Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All members are urged to be present. After the prayer meeting arrangements will be made for the New Year's reception to be held at the rooms of Mrs. R. Stevens. The question of holding vacation has been firmly settled by the nine members of the board of education signing a written statement directing that the schools close Tuesday evening, December 23, and reopen the morning of January 5th, 1885. Work on the two additional to the stock yards slaughter houses, leased to George Hammond & Co., was begun yesterday. A contract to raise the roof in the slaughter house proper has been let to Baldwin & Behm, and one story more will be added to this already existing building. Paul Roseman, of Dillon, Nebraska, is making inquiries in Omaha for George Post, an old man from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who is supposed to be lost in this city. Post left Cedar Rapids on the 26th of November, for Odell, Nebraska, and since then nothing has been heard from him. The "Star of Bethlehem" is visible every morning at present in the southern heavens from five o'clock a. m. until daylight. It can readily be distinguished by its brilliancy. It will disappear shortly and according to astronomical observation will not be visible again for four hundred years. The iron agent at the street crossings on some of the paved streets are dangerous things when covered with a coating of ice as they now are. During the past two days many a man has taken a deep in the world and it is amusing to watch the expression of a man's countenance as his form comes in contact with the iron slab. Canon Peterson, of this city, has received intelligence that the standing committees of the various dioceses in the United States have voted in the election of Bishop Worthington to the Nebraska episcopate. The right reverend will be here only in February, and has signified his intention of building a residence here, where he will reside with his brother and sister. The property owners on south Fifteenth street last night held a meeting in No. 4 engine house which was largely attended. The object of the meeting was to discuss some means of raising the tax assessed for the grading of south Fifteenth street. It was finally determined to secure the services of General Cowin and resist the collection by an appeal to the courts. Workmen for the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railway yesterday began the construction of the ice bridge at Covington, in this state, and will complete it in a couple of days. Until Monday next the freight over this road will be taken across the Missouri by the Blue Hill and passengers by the Covington across the river at Covington by the carryover transfer boat.

HUNTING FOR HOWGATE.

Two Detectives in the City After the Ex-Signal Service Chief.

A Firm Belief That He is in a Missouri River Town in This State. Yesterday George Springer and William Bassett, two members of the United States secret service, arrived in the city from Washington, D. C. These gentlemen, as near as could be ascertained, did not register at any of the hotels, but took their meals at a restaurant in the central part of the city. It was learned late last evening from a detective in this city to whom they communicated their mission, that these gentlemen are in pursuit of Captain Howgate, the defaulting chief of the signal service office at Washington. Howgate, it will be remembered, was, about three years ago, at the head of the signal service at Washington, where he lived in a style becoming a prince. His elegance and magnificence aroused the suspicions of the federal authorities that he was living beyond his means and detectives were put upon his track. It was learned by this system of espionage that he was supporting several mistresses in different parts of the city. His wife was in the city and almost daily went to the residence of one of his paramours and not finding her at home burst open the door and passed in. Mrs. Howgate opened a trunk and found in it letters from her husband, his photograph and other evidences of his infidelity which changed her flickering hopes of his faithfulness into hate and almost despair. This paramour of Howgate was named Nellie Burrill and was appointed to the treasury department from this state. It is said she received this sinecure from an ex-governor of Nebraska. Prior to her going to Washington Miss Burrill lived near a little village in southwestern Nebraska named De Witt, where she now is. The day of reckoning at last came to Howgate. He was arrested and kept in the custody of the law. One day he manifested a desire to visit Miss Burrill and his request was granted. He was taken by an officer to her house. Howgate was given a private interview with her, the balling guard of the door. After some time had elapsed and Howgate did not appear, the officer entered the apartment but the signal service chief was nowhere to be found. Since that time, nearly three years ago, he has succeeded in eluding the officers of the law. Detectives have been continually hunting him down, but he game constantly escapes them. That he has not been apprehended, having such a peculiar appearance, is something wonderful. Howgate is a man over six feet tall, heavy and powerfully built with a large head, a piercing eye and a neck that would almost defy the hangman's noose. Above all these characteristics Howgate is lame in the right leg, having been thrown from a carriage in Washington several years ago, which accident resulted in a fracture of his right knee cap. His gait is such a peculiar one that it could not be mistaken by one who has ever seen him. He is a man of remarkably fine presence and gifted with a seductive and fascinating address. It is now known that Howgate was kept in hiding for a long time in Washington, but this fact was not discovered until after he had left the capital city. The detectives have scented him several times but his friends have always assisted him to effect an escape. Owing to the fact that Miss Burrill was in Nebraska, between whom and Howgate there exists a strong attachment, it was thought he might be in Nebraska. It is now known that he was in Nebraska City a few weeks ago as he was even on the streets of that place in the company of a prominent attorney of that city. With this as a clue Springer and Bassett have been trailing Howgate for some time past throughout the state, and yesterday came to Omaha in pursuit of him. It was thought by them that he might be now in the city, as he has distant relatives at Fort Omaha. Springer and Bassett yesterday went out to the barracks, but returned without finding their man. They fairly believe that Howgate is in one of the Missouri river towns in this state, and say they will not give up the chase until they have conclusive evidence of his presence elsewhere. These gentlemen think it only a matter of time when he will be delivered up to justice. His financial resources they say are nearly exhausted, and when this takes place his friends will abandon him, becoming weary of this eternal vigilance as the price of his liberty, he will either surrender himself up to the authorities or be turned over to those in whose hands he places himself for protection.

ADDISON'S DIFFICULTY.

He is Found Guilty of Embezzlement-- An Affair in Court.

The Lovejoy Case Now on Trial Before Judge Dundy--Other Court Matters. In the police court yesterday afternoon the cases of Frank Burns and Pat Cominski, charged with obstructing the due administration of justice by intimidating Lottie Coombs, the witness in the Duke's burglary case, came up on preliminary examination. The hearing was not concluded owing to the absence of certain material witnesses. In the district court before Judge Wakely the case of Gottlieb Killinger, who sues for himself and all others similarly situated, against John George Hartman was on trial all day. This case involves fourteen lots and a reserve of seven acres all in Hartman's addition. The history of this suit goes back into the early days of Omaha when the Dubuque Homestead company first made its purchase in this city. It was brought against the defendant in his capacity as trustee for this company, to obtain the above described property which the petition alleges he appropriated to his own use by defrauding the company. Before Judge Neville the case of the state against Dodson, which has consumed five days was given to the jury at six p. m. After deliberating nearly four hours the jury returned a verdict guilty on the first count in the indictment, that of embezzling \$1,850 from McCord, Brady & Co. During the progress of the trial, the defendant's wife, three sons, and a married daughter have been constant attendants and have watched the case with unabated interest. When the words "guilty as charged in the first count in the indictment" were read by the clerk, the heartbroken wife fainted away. Restoratives were applied and the wife soon regained consciousness. The youngest child, a boy about 12 years of age, then fell into a swoon and upon his recovery was unable to tell where he was. Amid the tears and sobs of his wife and children he was taken from them by the bailiff and put in the county jail. In this court W. O. Bartholomew instituted the suit against the city to recover the sum of \$380 damages alleged to have been sustained by plaintiff from the opening of north Seventeenth street. In the federal court the case of the United States against Lovejoy occupied the attention of Judge Dundy all day. The evidence for the plaintiff was nearly all adduced and goes to sustain the contention of the bond, although the witness swore his signature to it as witness was not in his handwriting or placed there by his authority. Upon the convening of court yesterday morning, Jurymen Curry was not in his seat, and not appearing after waiting ten minutes for him, Judge Dundy issued an attachment and he was brought in by Marshal Bierhower. Mr. Curry was not fined, but was softly reprimanded by the court. Arthur S. Potter, the receiver appointed in the case against the West Point Butter and Cheese Association, was yesterday given his written authority and will this morning start for Cumming county's capital and take possession of this property under the order of the court. It is expected that the motions in the O'Connell fraud cases will come up for argument at the conclusion of the Lovejoy case. These defendants will not be tried this term, but their cases will go over to the February term at Lincoln, where the expenses of the trial will be greatly reduced. Marshal Bierhower will this morning start for Chicago, where he goes to arrest the defendants in the perjury indictments returned some time ago but not yet made public. DIED. WEBB--In this city, December 17th, at 1:30 a. m. at her late residence near corner of Georgia and Poppleton avenues, Mary A. Webb, beloved wife of J. E. Webb, aged 54 years. Funeral notice will be given hereafter. JOHNSTON--In this city December 16th, at 10:30 o'clock p. m., Mary E. Johnston, aged 67 years and 6 months. Funeral took place 2 yesterday afternoon. Interment at Prospect Hill cemetery. Seal of North Carolina Smoking Tobacco in the West. MARRIED. PETERSON LUND--In this city, December 17th, by H. J. Johnson, J. Soren P. Peterson and Miss Anna Lund, both of Omaha. Andrews' Pearl Baking Powder PURE CREAM TARTAR. 3,000 Given. HUNTERS' WORLD FAMED SIFTERS.

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